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\$100,000 CLAIM FILED AGAINST TOWN

New Brockton City Council focus on police department

Meeting in regular session Monday evening, the New Brockton City Council has once again begun to attract a sizable crowd of the town's citizens.

After a brief, but heated exchange between Mayor Jim Driskell and Councilman Charles Cole, Police Officer Duane Bigham was relieved of duty.

Bigham a black reserve police officer, had been temporarily hired during the heavy rains and flood conditions which placed a heavier work load on the police department.

Last Saturday evening while answering a disturbance call in a housing project on Sawyer Street, Bigham reportedly got out of his patrol car waving a shotgun.

According to Cole there was a large crowd with women and children present. He stated that somebody could have been seriously injured or even killed.

An arrest of three individuals resulted from the call. They were charged with disorderly conduct, inciting a riot and resisting arrest. Their names were not available.

According to Cole, during a meeting with Police Chief Richard Nichols, Police Commissioner Ralph Medley, the Mayor and himself it was agreed that there was a problem, but they didn't know what they were going to do about it.

Several weeks ago, there were complaints about parties going on all over town and that nothing was being done about it.

Mayor Driskell stated that this was the reason the police office was responding to the request made either by telephone or in person, it was not clear which. Reportedly, there was a party going on in the streets.

Cole said, "We don't need a police office who does such a thing."

"People are being mistreated in New Brockton," said Cole. "We've got a problem. What are we going to do about it?"

Mayor Driskell responded, "We do have a problem, but it's not necessarily with a police officer."

Cole commented, "The problem is not the police department, it's right here at this (council) table."

There were several more exchanges of charges and counter charges between the Mayor and Cole, but the bottom line was, "what

are we going to do about the situation?"

Councilman Britt Lee made the motion to relieve Officer Bigham from duty until all applications for the job of fulltime police officer can be reviewed. The motion was second by Cole.

Councilman Laymon Tindol made the statement that he didn't think anyone should be relieved of duty until they were interviewed and their side of the story heard.

It should be stated that all sides of this incident were not reported at the council meeting, only what someone was told - not what was seen.

Also, during the discussion before the vote, it was brought to the attention of the council by Lee that a resolution was on record which resolved, that no one can be hired by the city until it is voted on by the council with all members being present.

The Mayor stated that he was not aware of such a resolution and asked that Lee bring a copy so that he might see it.

Councilmen Cole, Lee and Bud Goodson voted to relieve Bigham from duty. Medley voted against and Tindol abstained.

Ken Bevis, a CPA with the accounting firm of Carpenter, Bevis & Eberhart, located in Dothan, reviewed with the council their financial statement and auditor's report.

The deficit in the general fund and the lack of revenue are the biggest problems facing the Town of New Brockton according to Bevis.

He commented that the town was doing a better job of budgeting, but there were some areas in which improvements could be made in recording certain transactions.

Reference was made to the Fire Department Cigarette Tax Fund and the Senior Citizen's Tide III Fund.

Bevis felt that a general ledger or a general journal that summarizes and recapped transactions made pertaining to these two funds was needed.

Several recommendations were made by the accounting firm as to ways to improve the city's financial performance and accuracy.

They were as follows: (1) Better record keeping on fire department funds-income and expenditures; (2) Cross reconciliation of bank state-

ments by the city clerk and the water & sewage board; (3) Purchase a small computer to be used by the city in record keeping; (4) Change pay period of city employees to twice monthly or every two weeks, thus giving the city clerk more time for record keeping and other duties; (5) Prepare a comparative financial statement to be reviewed each month by the council. Budget amounts/actual amounts, year-to-date/last year, etc.

In a conversation with Councilman Cole following the meeting, this newspaper learned that Priscilla Hornsby Foster has filed a claim against the City of New Brockton in the amount of \$100,000.

Mrs. Foster claimed police brutality during her arrest several weeks ago.

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27,000 CUBIC YARDS OF DIRT MOVED

Corps of Engineers making history

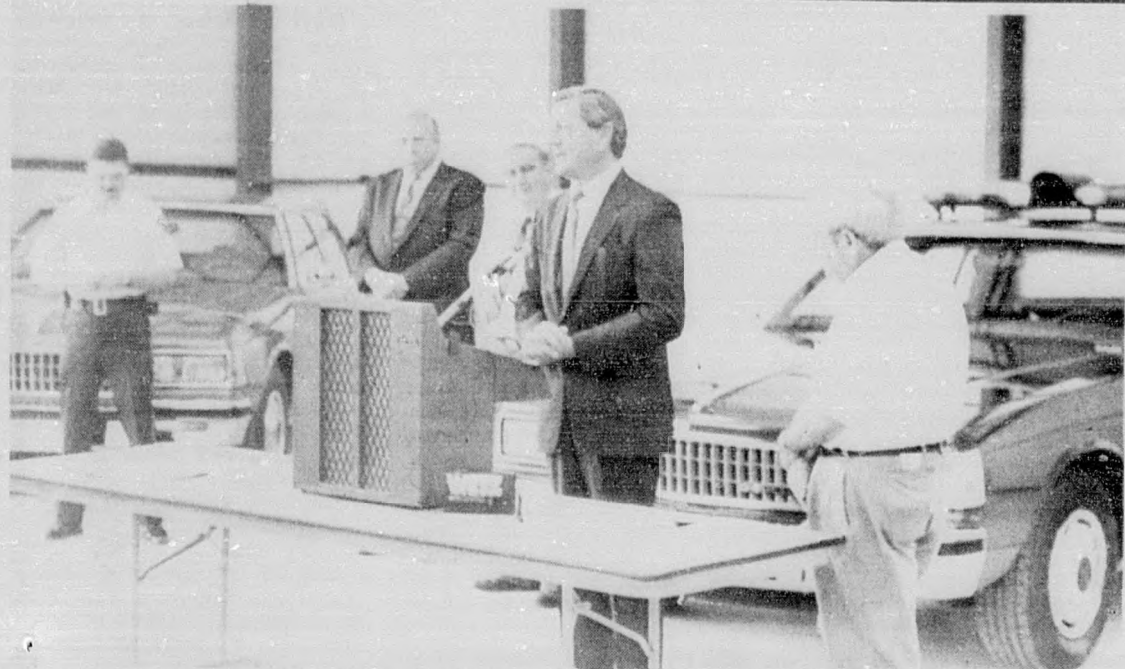
Not only is the Corps of Engineers overseeing the repair of the levee, but they have also been instrumental in aiding the City of Elba in making other major repairs to flood damaged areas.

Allen Morse, a field representative with the Corps of Engineers, told this newspaper that the Corps was making history in Elba because of a program known as GAP which was initiated after Hurricane Elaine hit the Gulf Coast.

The purpose of the Gap Program was to give the Corps of Engineers the ability to act faster after the occurrence of a disaster.

During a ten day period of time immediately after a disaster, the Corps can provide onhand assistance to local authorities in making repairs that could pose a threat to lives if they (repairs) are not made immediately. This gives the other federal agencies time to get into place and begin providing assistance.

Morse said that the program had been practiced, but this was the first time that it had ever been implemented.



TWO NEW POLICE CARS were presented to the City of Elba last Saturday morning by Joe Cox, a representative of General Motors. The presentation was in response to a request from Congressman Bill Dickinson who was aware of Elba's need for two replacement law enforcement vehicles. Shown above are Police Chief Freddie Hanchey, Congressman Dickinson, Charles Farris of Cook Chevrolet, Joe Cox of General Motors and Elba Mayor Fred Moore.

Under this program, the Corps was able to help in repairing some of the damage done to the sewage system, the water system and also helped repair a road that was almost totally washed away.

Another major contribution made by the Corps was the removal of a whole building, concrete slab and all, from its "parking place" in the intersection of Court and Burford Streets.

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Coffee County Commission purchases more equipment

The Coffee County Commission met at 9:00 Monday morning in the new county health facility in Enterprise.

In an abbreviated meeting which was a continuation of the March 26 meeting, the commission signed two resolutions pertaining to the Community Development Block Grant (Economic Development Infrastructure Grant).

The purpose of the resolutions was to lay the ground work for the receipt of available funds to be used in the updating of the rural water systems in Coffee County.

Also, a resolution was signed by the commission stating their opposition to the peanut program in its present form being drafted by the federal government.

The farmers and other county commission throughout the wiregrass area are joining together in voicing their opposition to the federal government's proposed program.

In other business conducted by the commission, they voted to purchase three new pieces of equipment to be used by the highway department.

present equipment; therefore, County Engineer Mark Pool recommended the purchase of two new motorgraders and a new track excavator.

The motorgraders are being purchased from Joe Money Equipment at a cost of \$66,900 each and the excavator from Caterpillar at a cost of \$54,464.20.

This equipment is being bought under emergency conditions thus, the normal process of requesting bids is not required.

Pool expressed his concern over the dangerous conditions of the county's road and the public's, or at least some of them, disregard for the barricades that have been erected by the highway department crews.

He asked that the news media assist in alerting the public that there are still some dangerous places on county roads. Also, he asked that warning signs and barricades not be moved (some have even been stolen), as it could cause someone to be seriously injured or even killed.

Forty-five county roads are closed to traffic and there are over 1,200 sites of damage throughout the county.

The commission was reminded of the "Grand Opening" of Coffee County's new health facility to be held Sunday afternoon, April 8, between the hours of 2:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m.

Commission Chairmen Billy Egerton reminded the commissioners that the next regular meeting would be at the courthouse in Enterprise on Monday, April 9 at 9 a.m.

Meeting adjourned.

* WARNING *

Coffee County Engineer Mark Pool Warns County Citizens That Dangerous Conditions Still Exist On County Roads. Extreme Caution Should Be Used - DO NOT GO AROUND BARRICADES & DO NOT REMOVE WARNING SIGNS!! IT COULD COST SOMEONE THEIR LIFE!!!

Heavy damage to the county's road system caused by recent floods is taxing the highway department's

Fugitive is captured

Michael Todd Marshall, age 24, was apprehended Monday afternoon after leading area law enforcement officers on a chase that lasted almost twenty-four hours.

Marshall, from Arcadia, Florida, is wanted in DeSoto County, Florida for grand theft auto, in Northport, Florida for aggravated assault, armed robbery, and grand theft auto; also, he is wanted in Jefferson County, Florida for grand theft auto.

He is also a suspect in several area business burglaries in Coffee County.

The reason for Marshall's presence in the area was because he has relatives living in the vicinity of Kinston.

Several months ago, Marshall served time in the Coffee County jail after being convicted of assault. Chief Deputy Sheriff Tom Weeks spotted Mr. Marshall Sunday eve-

ning in the Lowry Community and when he approached him, he jumped from his vehicle and fled on foot.

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Town Meeting

COME ONE, COME ALL! All Elba residents are invited to attend an old fashion town meeting this Friday evening, April 6, beginning at 6:00 p.m.

Downtown Elba will be roped off for pedestrian traffic only. Everyone will be asked to park their vehicles in outlying areas and walk to the meeting.

The activities will take place on the west side of the square. The event is being sponsored by the Mayor and City Council of Elba.

RETURNING TO ORIGINAL LOCATION

Elba businesses are on the way back

Downtown businesses in Elba are fast making plans to return to business with some already back in business in their original location. This week an additional group of businesses have announced their plans for the future.

Padgett Oil is back in business as usual as is Pat's Place, Coffee Elba Auto Parts, OK Tire Store, Runt's Auto Sav, Elba Barber Shop (Skipper's), and Young World of Learning are all back in business at their normal location. Windham Lumber

Company has regrouped and reopened to supply building materials to flood victims.

Goodson's Garage has cleaned up and reopened with additional mechanics to serve the public. Hair Company re-opened this week in their former location with both Linda and Ellen busy fixing hair as if nothing has happened.

Nick's Barber Shop is open across from Dorsey Trailers. Thomason Carpets is operating from Mr. Thomason's home across from the Army

Reserve Center on Claxton Avenue. S.E. Alabama Gas is operating from an office in Morrow Village. Loftin Rent-All has opened a facility on Buford Street, behind Mr. Henry's and across from the Elba Clipper building.

Russell Cash & Carry is back in business amid their clean up efforts. Russell Concrete is back in full operation. Merle Norman is temporarily operating at Pea River Timber Company on the New Brockton Highway and will return to their downtown

location as soon as possible.

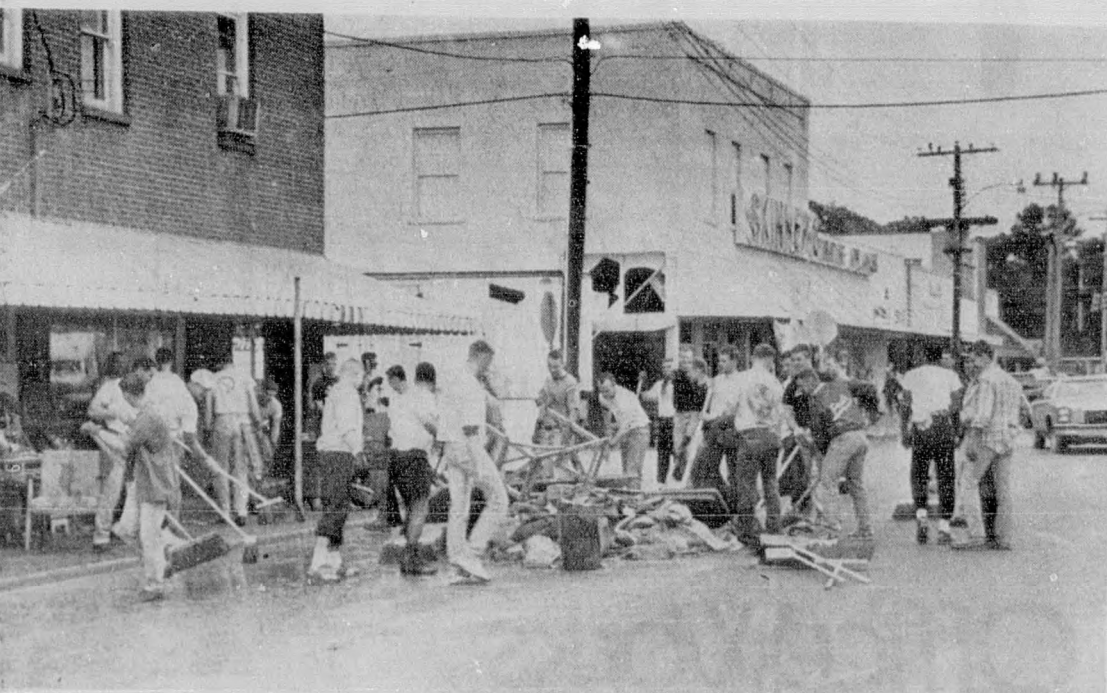
A number of other businesses have announced they plan to reopen as soon as possible. These include The Jewel Box, Mike's Gym, Elba Florist, Ye Ol' Hickory Pit, Fred's Sportfrye, The Flower Patch, Davis Printing, Clement's Furniture, Miles Chiropractic Center, Classic Carpets, Elba Frame & Gift, Grimes Spur Station, Dale Moseley Photography and the Deli D'lie.

Work is actively underway in the Classic Carpets facility with plans to make the structure better than before, as it is in Gloria's Beauty Shop and Whitman Drugs. Hardee's completely stripped their building before the flood waters had completely receded and are busy rebuilding.

Dairy Queen remodeling crews are also working seven days a week and hope to be back in business within about a week from now.

Area insurance offices are operating from temporary quarters but planning to return to permanent homes soon. Robbins & Associates, Marsh Insurance, Boswell Insurance, Pinkard Sharpless, Liberty National, Alfa, and Mike McGuire's State Farm office are all in process of being repaired. The same holds true for Sam Ellison's Woodman of the World office.

All local attorneys are available for legal advice. Cannon and Vaughan are using temporary offices with Drs. Strong & Purvis. Merrill Shirley is in a warehouse building on Hwy 84 between New Brockton and Enterprise. Lindsey & Jarred are sharing a duplex house on Claxton Avenue with Cook Chevrolet. Bill Jean Spurlin's home on Sunset Blvd and Fleetwood Carney can be found at his office, where he is actively cleaning and repairing flood damage.



A LARGE CLEAN UP CREW hit Elba last Saturday morning with a hoard of about 200 Warrent Officer Candidates from Ft. Rucker hit the streets with push brooms, shovels and muscles. They made a positive impression on all who observed their work. This crew also replaced the gazebo on the court house square using strong muscles.

BRAINSTORMS

With Ferrin Cox

In our first paper following the flood of March 17 we wrote about Red Wilson "doing good". When we saw him following the publication of that paper he asked, "Why am I Red when I do something good, but any other time I am Lamar?" We didn't have a good answer, but Mr. WILSON was smiling all the time and we didn't really worry about it too much.

Then we also goofed when we gave credit to Kenneth Baker for hauling stuff out of the post office. We don't know if that was our error or the people telling us about the matter. Anyway it was Bobby Baker in the post office. We were close, after all they are brothers and the whole bunch comes from good stock.

Life does go on and for this we are thankful. At our house there is a new dog. Fourteen year old Eric has become obsessed with hunting and now has a hound puppy. This isn't news to our neighbors, because they probably heard those sounds that always come from a puppy just taken from his mother. We didn't really want Eric in the dog business, but then his brother had a hound and fair is fair. You may hear some real howling if Mom or Dad have to start feeding or cleaning the dog pen.

It was a pretty sight to see those 200 Warrant Officer Candidates (WOC) coming down the streets of Elba Saturday morning with push brooms. They moved with the enthusiasm you would expect from a group of young men and women who are right in the middle of vigorous military training. They did a good job and here is another group we owe a debt of gratitude.

The men assigned to the Elba Work Release facility are there because they had a cross with some part of society. However during the past three weeks they have helped a lot of home owners who were devastated by the flood waters. One lady told us she had no help except from the men at the work release. "and they sure have worked hard."

People are slowly coming out of their shock of seeing the massive damage done by the flood. As people do come back to reality, we continue to hear, "we are planning to return as soon as we can." This holds true for businesses and homeowners. It has been and continues to be tough on all of us, but by sticking together for moral and physical support, we will survive.

Sightseers continue to be a problem in Elba. Clean up crews are hampered by people gawking at the flood damage. That problem continues to plague the dump trucks as they need room to maneuver those big trucks. We have witnessed a number of cases in which these folks thought their looking was more important than the work. We have also heard some of the clean up volunteers talk kinda ugly to these passersby. Of course it didn't seem to bother them, 'cause they kept getting in the way with their eyeballing, video cameras, etc.

Following the flood the banks and local dry stores had some technical things to do before re-opening. They are by law and common sense required to keep their products very secure. The dry stores had to be sure they could lock up all drugs before going home at night. The banks have to be sure their mobile units are built to protect our money. Of course we can rest with the thought the money is insured, but that ain't good enough. These special bank units are built to protect the valuables.

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DEATHS

BERTA L. STEPHENSON

Funeral services for Mrs. Berta L. Stephenson, age 78, of Enterprise, who died Saturday, March 31, 1990 in her home was held Monday, April 2, 1990 at 2:00 P.M. from the Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church, with the Revs. Billy Abernethy and Sybil Bagwell officiating. Burial was in the Mt. Pleasant Baptist Cemetery with Searcy Funeral Home directing.

Mrs. Stephenson was preceded in death by her husband, Mr. Lloyd Stephenson and a great-granddaughter, Rhonda Nicole Lolley.

MARY SUE MORROW

Mary Sue Morrow, 82, of Elba died April 3, in Elba General Hospital.

Funeral services will be held at Hayes Chapel on April 5, at 10:00 a.m. Burial will follow at Evergreen Cemetery.

Survivors include one brother George W. Morrow of Canfield, AL; two sons John Morrow Sr. of Mobile, AL and Joseph M. "Pete" Morrow of Knoxville, TN; and one daughter Sue Morrow of Jacksonville, FL; 8 grandchildren and 2 great grandchildren.

NORA JONES

Nora J. Jones, 84, of Elba, died Sunday, April 1, 1990 in Elba General Hospital.

Funeral services were held at Hayes Chapel on April 3. Rev. John K. Smith officiated. Burial followed at Albertson Church Cemetery.

Survivors include two sons, Manuel Jones of Elba and Donald H. Jones of Miami, FL; two daughters, Cumi Conaway of Enterprise and Wynelle Hicks of Goliad, CA; one sister, Lisa Lee Adams of Grandview, Wash.; one brother, Arthur Blackmon of Pittsburgh, TX; 10 grandchildren and 18 great grandchildren.

MAYLENE GAVIN

Mrs. Maylene Gavin, 81, of Opp, AL died Friday, March 16, in her home.

Funeral services were held at Hammond Funeral Home, Burial followed at Hardin Street Cemetery, Opp, AL.

Survivors include one daughter Mrs. Linda G. Lawrence, El. Lewis, Washington; one brother Mr. Ricky Reeves, Dayton, Ohio; one sister Mrs. Ella Armstrong, Middletown, Ohio; four aunts and one uncle.

CHARLIE LEWIS

Mr. Charlie Lewis, 89, of Elba died March 27, 1990 in Flowers Hospital Dothan, AL.

Funeral services were held at Hammond Funeral Home, Burial followed at Evergreen Cemetery, Evergreen, AL.

Survivors include one daughter Mrs. Sherrie Caldwell, Atlanta, Ga.; one son Mr. Tommy Gee Lewis, Grove Hill, AL.; Five step-daughters and two step-sons.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

DEAR FERRIN,

Just a note to tell you how much I admire and appreciate your hard work during the flood. I couldn't believe it when I opened my mailbox on Thursday, March 22, and found the Elba Clipper, as usual. In fact, someone in my family had said something about an article in the March 15 Clipper and I said we'd better save that one. It might be the last one we'll see for a long time.

I just can't imagine what you and your family and staff must have gone through to get that accomplished, but you are appreciated and thanked.

We felt so cut off, from everyone and the Clipper was like a letter from home, when you're far, far away.

I'm so glad Chris was able to come home to help.

Love,
JoAnne Rainer

A LETTER TO THE EDITOR,

The Elba Clipper's steadfast service to its community, after the flood sets, an example for all newspapers. The Clipper's loyalty to the community, its service as the eyes and ears of the community, during the crisis, its role as a reaffirmation that life will go on and go on well, has stirred all of us in the Alabama Newspaper Industry.

Our hats go off to Ferrin Cox, his staff, and his family.

Ferrin said it best in his column when he said, "We also feel that the spirit and determination of a community is reflected in the local newspaper, especially a small-town newspaper. Therefore, to continue accurately showing the heart of Elba, it was a mandate that publication continue on the schedule established by those who toiled to maintain the publication for those 93 years."

On behalf of the officers, directors and staff of the Alabama Press Association, we salute The Elba Clipper, and we salute the people of Elba.

Sincerely,
William B. Keller
Executive Director

* GRAND OPENING *

SUNDAY AFTERNOON, APRIL 8, 1990,
BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 2 - 4 P.M.

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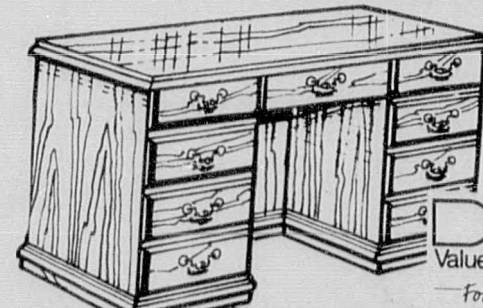
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Claim

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A letter from Newman & Newman, attorneys-at-law, of Dothan was written to the City of New Brockton on the behalf of Mrs. Foster notifying them of the claim.

Mayor Driskell stated that a copy of the letter has been forwarded to the city's attorney, Kenneth Fuller. No further action has been taken at this time.

Other matters addressed by the council were as follows:
*** Paid bills totaling \$1,203.01 (2 weeks).

*** Councilman Medley reviewed the inspection by FEMA representatives of the flood damage to the

streets and drains in the city. He reported that the folks were very cooperative and very liberal in their inspection and report.

*** Voted to hire a full-time employee for the street department to work on drainage and street problems. It was stressed that the employment would last only as long as the money lasted.

*** Increased regular city employees' pay per hour by 50c. This was done to offset the increase in minimum wage.

*** Passed a resolution authorizing the Mayor to sign any paperwork pertaining to FEMA funding.

Corps

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The major concern of the Corps at present is to expedite the repair of the levee as quickly as possible.

As of today, Monday, April 2, approximately 27,000 cubic yards of fill has been used in "plugging the holes" in the levee.

An average of 3,500 cubic yards per day is being hauled by dump trucks to the "break sites".

According to Morse, all of the day being used to repair the levee is being donated to the City of Elba by Dale Stinson and R. J. Lott.

Initially, the clay was being hauled from a site belonging to the

city, but it was quickly being depleted; therefore, another site had to be found.

Morse stated that they were approximately 50% complete on making the initial repairs to the levee. After this work is done, the Corps will send in a survey team to make an in-depth inspection of all the levee and note any needed repairs.

A complete study of the Flood of 1990 will be made to determine what measures should be taken to guard against this ever happening again.

Captured

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Deputy Weeks called for assistance and the chase was on.

Weeks was joined by other units of the Coffee County Sheriff's Department, Reserve Deputies, Units from the Geneva County Sheriff's Department, Kinston Police Units, the Bloodhounds from the Troy Police Department and local volunteers.

At approximately 1 a.m. Monday morning, Marshall was spotted by another deputy, but he was once again successful in eluding the officers.

Deputy Weeks encountered Mar-

shall at or near his grandmother's residence around 6:30 a.m. and again he evaded capture.

Deputy Leslie Hussy spotted Marshall later in the day and some time another deputy "eyed him" and that time the dogs were close enough to stay in "hot pursuit".

Marshall was apprehended shortly afterwards at approximately 5:00 p.m. Monday afternoon. He was turned over to Florida authorities.

Disaster relief is on the way

KRIS CRUM IS A JUNIOR AT THE UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA, MAJORING IN JOURNALISM. THE RUSSELLVILLE NATIVE SPENT TWO DAYS RECENTLY REPORTING FOR THE ELBA CLIPPER ON STATE GOVERNMENT. THE EXPERIENCE IS PART OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS REPORTING CLASS SPONSORED IN PART BY THE ALABAMA PRESS ASSOCIATION.

Disaster relief will soon be available to residents of Elba and 25 other counties in Alabama, thanks to the Federal and State Agreement. Act signed Wed. by Gov. Guy Hunt.

Never before have there been this many counties in Alabama needing disaster funds, Hunt said. Alabama agrees in the act to pay 25% of the total disaster aid. For every \$1 the state comes up with, the federal government will provide \$3.

"Without the agreement," Hunt said, "it would have been impossible for Alabama to receive aid and matching funds."

State Senator Crum Foshee, District 31, said the money will be generated by two bond bills pending passage in the House. These bonds will raise \$36 million and with matching funds could generate up to \$114 million for disaster relief aid.

Another bill to bring relief to the 26 counties, is the Education Bond Bill proposed again by Foshee.

This bill would attempt to rebuild the school systems suffering from flood damage.

State Representative Jimmy Holly, from District 91, said \$16 million will be made available. He also said that matching funds by the federal government will likely occur.

Holly said the school system in Elba is destroyed, "not just the buildings," Holly said, "but the entire system. Roads, buildings, books and equipment will all have to be replaced," he said.

"Damages may reach \$100 million," Hunt said. According to Hunt over 2,200 applications from counties across Alabama have been received requesting relief. He said that 1,200 applications for the business loan will be viewed.

The Federal and State Disaster Agreement Act faced the threat of filibuster over the abortion clinic regulatory act. Hunt said he commends the legislature for setting their political differences aside and quickly approving the agreement.

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NEAR TRAGEDY!! A two vehicle accidents sent two individuals to the Elba General Hospital. The mishap occurred approximately 3 miles north of Elba on the Troy Highway, Thursday morning, March 15. Units of the Elba Police Department, Rescue Squad, and the Fire Department responded to the scene. Injured in the wreck were Grover and Leola Harrelson of Elba and Bill and Claudette Ward of Anniston, Alabama. Mr. and Mrs. Harrelson were treated and released at the local hospital. The Harrelson vehicle, a pickup truck, was traveling north on Highway 87 when it swerved into the path of the Ward vehicle, a van, traveling south. Reportedly, Mr. Harrelson was swatting a bee that had gotten into the cab of his truck.

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The American Red Cross Service Center is headquartered in the Army Reserve Center located on North Claxton.

The American Red Cross has a shelter located in the First Assembly of God Church on Highland Drive. Phone No. 897-3559

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Miss Davis To Wed Mr. Fuller

Miss Suzanne Davis and Mr. Perry Fuller will be united in marriage, on Saturday evening April 14, 1990 at 7:00.

Due to the recent flooding of The Elba Church Of Christ building, the wedding site has been moved to The First Assembly Of God Church on Highland Drive.

All friends and relatives are invited to attend.

Amison-McNaughton Wedding To Be Held Saturday

Miss Shellye Amison and Mr. Brian McNaughton will be united in marriage on Saturday April 7th, at 3:00 in the afternoon, at the Chapel of Flags located on Fifth Ave. at Fort Rucker, AL.

A reception will follow at the Family Life Center which is located just across the street from the Chapel of Flags.

All friends and relatives are invited to attend.

Coleman-Drewery Engagement Told

Mr. and Mrs. Everett D. Coleman and Mr. and Mrs. Gordon M. Drewery announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their children, Melissa Denise Coleman and Johnny Mack Drewery.

The wedding will be an event of May 19, 1990 and will be held at the Ino Baptist Church.

All friends and relatives are invited to attend.

New Brockton To Have Band Day

The New Brockton Band Boosters presents The Annual New Brockton Band Day, April 7, 1990.

Bar-B-Q will be served from 10:30 A.M. to 1:30 P.M. at \$ 4.00 a plate in the lunch room.

There will be free entertainment to begin at noon on the football field. This will include the Shiloh Singers, Troy State Jazz Band, 98th Army Show Band, Smooth Character and The Pide Of New Brockton High - The New Brockton High School Marching band.



Sarah Brazier

Sarah Brazier Is One Year Old

Sarah Anne Brazier will celebrate her 1st Birthday April 5th, 1990. She is the daughter of Scott and Kelley Brazier of Elba. Sarah has one older brother named Scott.

Grandparents are Bill and Wynene Howerton of Basin, AL, and L.A. and Sandra Brazier of Dearborn Heights, Michigan.

Great Grandparents are Cecil and Merlin Grimes of Basin and Mrs. Mildred Smith & Mrs. Sidney Sorrells of Cedartown, Ga.

NEW ARRIVAL

MELINDA ROZA NEWSOME Joe and Kathy Newsome would like to announce the arrival of their daughter Melinda Roza. She was born March 31, 1990, weighing 5 pounds, 6 oz. and measuring 18 inches long.

Proud grandparents are Bill and Wynene Howerton of Basin, AL, Joe and Dee Newsome of New Brockton, AL, Sherry and Eddie Parr of Hartford, AL.

Great Grandparents are Cecil and Merlin Grimes of Basin, AL, Harvey and Jackie Carrol of Enterprise, AL, and Mrs. Eva Newsome of Clayhatchee, AL.

Several Aunts and Uncles and 3 cousins Scotty and Sarah Braier of Elba, and Hannah Siedman of Enterprise, AL.

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SOCIAL NEWS

19th Annual Calico Fort Set



The tantalizing aroma of hickory and pine, the smell of candles and herbs, the distant sound of Indian drums and children's laughter... are all part of Calico Fort Arts and Crafts Fair in Fort Deposit, Alabama.

The nineteenth annual Calico Fort promises to be bigger and better than ever. Scheduled for April 7th and 8th, visitors of every age will find something to see, to buy, to learn and to enjoy.

Exhibitors, numbering 250 from eleven states including the Carolinas, Arkansas, Texas, Georgia, Tennessee, Louisiana and Florida, have been specially selected to represent the best artisans and craftsmen in their respective areas.

One can expect to find the best in handsewing, woodwork, stained glass, knives, basket weaving, oil, pen & ink and pastel art, and plants of all kinds.

Food, food and more food will be a special treat as the men and women of Fort Deposit prepare tons of chicken and pork barbecue. Several Aunts and Uncles and 3 cousins Scotty and Sarah Braier of Elba, and Hannah Siedman of Enterprise, AL.

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Miss Potter

Miss Potter To Wed Mr. Teel In July

Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Potter of Greensboro North Carolina announce the engagement of their daughter, Jayne Elizabeth to Michael Shannon Teel.

Miss Potter graduated from Page High School in Greensboro in 1986 and will graduate from North Carolina State University in May with a B.A. degree in Business Administration.

The wedding is planned for July 28, 1990 at the First Presbyterian Church in Greensboro, North Carolina.

Elba Methodist To Hold Revival

Revival services are scheduled to begin at the Elba United Methodist Church on Sunday, April 8 at 6 p.m.

Pastor for this spring revival will be Dr. B. Michael Watson, minister of the Covenant United Methodist Church, Dothan for the past 12 years. Watson is a graduate of the University of Alabama, Emory University and holds a doctorate from Vanderbilt.

Dr. Watson will deliver the message on Sunday night at 6 p.m. Revival services will be held twice daily from Monday through Wednesday at 7 a.m. and 7 p.m.

Thursday evening at 7 p.m. there will be a Munday Thursday communion service.

Friday evening at 7 p.m. there will be a Good Friday service.

Members and friends are invited to attend, according to Minister George Sedberry.

Elba Methodist return Sunday services to regular 10:50 am hour

Sunday morning worship services at the Elba United Methodist Church will be held at the regular 10:50 hour beginning Sunday April 8th, according to Minister George Sedberry.



Gospel Singing To Be Held At New Haven Baptist Church

The Sound from Houston, Texas will be in concert Saturday night April 7, at New Haven Baptist Church located on Coffee County Rd. 25. Time will be at 7:00 PM

and Pastor Larry Doster and the Congregation of New Haven invite you to attend!



BILL MORROW RETIRES FROM BIG/LITTLE. After five years with the Big/Little Store in Elba, Bill Morrow, called it quits. Bill was surprised Thursday morning, March 15, when Toby, Director of Operations for the Big/Little Stores recognized him at a meeting in Enterprise and presented him with a plaque commending him for his service. Pictured above (L-R) are: Bert McCreary, Mildred Morrow, Bill Morrow, Toby Rankins, Larry Soars, and an unknown official with the Big/Little Stores.

Schedule Set For First Baptist

A new schedule of services has been announced for the First Baptist Church of Elba, whose sanctuary and educational facilities were damaged by the recent flood.

Morning worship is being held at the First Assembly of God building on Highland Drive at 8:30 AM each Sunday. Child care will be provided for children under the age of 4.

The Church will resume Evening Worship on Sunday, April 8 at 6:00 PM in the mobile chapel situated in front of the building on Simmons Street downtown. Mid-

week worship will be each Wednesday, beginning April 11 at 6:00 PM at the same location. Child care will not be available for services in the mobile chapel, but Pastor Doug Dorch, encourages parents to come and bring their children with them until arrangements can be made. Wednesday Night Supper and Children's Choir Programs have temporarily been discontinued.

Plans are for Sunday School to resume in the Church educational building on Sunday, April 22. Flood waters rose only 18 inches

or so in the second floor, with damage to upstairs classrooms, primarily limited to carpet and flooring. New Sunday School literature has been ordered and all classes can anticipate having a place to meet each Sunday following Morning Worship.

For more information, contact Dr. Doug Dorch, Pastor, or Mark Gray, Minister of Music, at 897-2246 or stop by the Church office temporarily located in the mobile chapel in the front parking lot of the Church on Simmons Street in downtown Elba.

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Worship 11:00 a.m. Training Union 6:00 p.m. Even. Serv. 7:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Serv. 7:00 p.m. RA's & GA's - Wed. 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>ENON BAPTIST CHURCH - Bernard Strickland Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.</p>	<p>DORCAS BAPTIST CHURCH - Donnie Marler Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Mem. Worship 11:00 a.m. Training Union 5:00 p.m. Even. Serv. 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>ELBA CHURCH OF CHRIST - Bill Beck Bible Study 10:00 a.m. Mem. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Serv. 6:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Study 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>ELBA CHURCH OF GOD - Paul Conway Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Mem. Worship 11:00 a.m. Evangelistic Serv. 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Serv. 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>ELBA CHURCH OF GOD OF PROPHECY - J. L. Wesley Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Mem. Worship 11:00 a.m. Sunday Afternoon 5:30 p.m. Wed. Service 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>ELBA DELIVERANCE TABERNACLE - Darrell & Gert Ritty Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Mem. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Serv. 6:00 p.m. Wed. Service 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>ELBA FIRST ASSEMBLY OF GOD - Larry Powell Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Mem. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Serv. 6:00 p.m. Wed. Service 7:00 p.m. Youth Serv. - Wed. 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>ELBA FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH - Doug Perich Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Mem. Worship 11:00 a.m. Youth Choir 5:00 p.m. Even. Serv. 6:00 p.m. Wed. Family Meal 5:30 p.m. Wed. Prayer Serv. 6:00 p.m. Wed. Chancel Choir 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>FAITH CHAPEL COMMUNITY CHURCH - Shale Bagwell Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Mem. Worship 11:00 a.m. Training Union 7:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet. 7:30 p.m.</p> <p>FIRST ASSEMBLY OF GOD - Minister Robert Bowen Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Mem. Worship 11:00 a.m. C.A. (Youth) 5:30 p.m. Sun. Evening 6:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Study 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>FRIENDSHIP HOLINESS - J. L. Edgar Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Mem. Worship 11:00 a.m. Sun. Evening 6:00 p.m. Wed. Services 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>HARRIS TEMPLE COGIC - Elder W. T. Harris Sr. Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Non-Serv. 10:50 a.m. Youth Choir Prac. 5:00 p.m. Bible Band 6:00 p.m. Pew's Aid 7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal 1st & 3rd Sunday</p> <p>HAW HILL ASSEMBLY OF GOD - Shale Ellis Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Mem. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Serv. 6:00 p.m. Choir Practice each Thurs. before 1st & 3rd Sundays</p> <p>INO ASSEMBLY OF GOD - Wesley D. Ard Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Mem. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Serv. 5:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet. 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>JACK ASSEMBLY OF GOD - Rev. Walter Faulk Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Mem. Worship 11:00 a.m. C.A. (Youth) 5:00 p.m. Even. Worship 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>MT. ZION BAPTIST CHURCH - Kenneth Faller Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Mem. Worship 11:00 a.m. Training Union 5:00 p.m. Tues. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>MT. OLIVE BAPTIST CHURCH - Wayne Webber Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Mem. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Serv. 5:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Class 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>NEW ABUNDANT LIFE DEL. - Herro, Linda Williams Sunday 10 & 11 a.m. Sun. Even. 7:30 p.m. Wed. Even. 7:30 p.m. Fri. Even. 7:30 p.m.</p> <p>NEWBRI BAPTIST CHURCH - Doug Barnes Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Mem. Worship 11:00 a.m. Church Training 5:30 p.m. Even. Serv. 6:30 p.m. Wed. Prayer Serv. 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>NEW BROCKTON METHODIST - Michael Robinson Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Mem. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Serv. 5:00 p.m.</p> <p>NEW CHAPEL BAPTIST - Campbell Sasser Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Mem. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Serv. 7:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet. 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>NEW EBENEZER BAPTIST - Richard Arson Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Youth Choir Prac. 4:00 p.m. Mem. Worship 5:00 p.m. Even. Serv. 6:00 p.m. Adult Choir - Wed. 8:00 p.m.</p> <p>NEW HAVEN BAPTIST CHURCH - Larry Doster Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Mem. Worship 11:00 a.m. Church Training 5:00 p.m. Even. Serv. 5:30 p.m. Wed. Even. Serv. 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>NEW HAVEN ASSEMBLY OF GOD - Tommy Brill Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Mem. Worship 11:00 a.m. Church Train. 5:00 p.m. Even. Serv. 5:30 p.m. Wed. Prayer Serv. 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>NEW HOPPE BAPTIST CHURCH - Donnie Earls Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Mem. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Serv. 5:30 p.m. Wed. Prayer Serv. 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>NEW PHILADELPHIA CHURCH OF GOD - Lerarl Flowers Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Mem. Worship 12:00 p.m. 2nd & 4th Sundays WPMW 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>NEW ZION BAPTIST CHURCH - Willie L. Peterson Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Mem. Worship 11:00 a.m. 1st & 3rd Sundays 11:30 a.m.</p> <p>ROCKY HEAD M.B. CHURCH - A.R. Williams Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Mem. Worship 11:30 a.m. 2nd & 4th Sundays 11:30 a.m.</p> <p>SHILOH BAPTIST CHURCH - Campbell Sasser Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Mem. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Serv. 7:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet. 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>TAYLOR HILL BAPTIST - Richard and Paul Jones Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Mem. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Serv. 6:00 p.m. Thurs. Serv. 7:00 p.m.</p>	<p>VICTORIA BAPTIST CHURCH - Cephus Phillips Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Mem. Worship 11:00 a.m. Choir Practice 4:30 p.m. Training Union 5:00 p.m. Even. Serv. 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>WESTSIDE BAPTIST CHURCH - Dr. Robert Kirkland Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Mem. Worship 11:00 a.m. Youth Choir Prac. 2:00 p.m. Church Training 5:00 p.m. Even. Serv. 5:00 p.m. Nursery for Church activities</p> <p>WHITEWATER BAPTIST CHURCH - Danny Maddox Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Mem. Worship 11:00 a.m. Church Training 5:00 p.m. Even. Serv. 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet. 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>WISE MILL ASSEMBLY OF GOD - Kenneth Hagler Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Mem. Serv. 11:00 a.m. Church Serv. 5:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Serv. 7:00 p.m. Fri. Home Prayer 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>WOODLAND GROVE BAPTIST - Seaborn Wooten Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Mem. Worship 11:00 a.m. Youth Serv. 5:00 p.m. Even. Serv. 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet. 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>ZION CHAPEL BAPTIST CHURCH - Mark Griffin Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Mem. Serv. 11:00 a.m. Youth Choir Prac. 4:00 p.m. Church Training 5:00 p.m. Even. Serv. 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>ZION COMMUNITY CHURCH - Richard and Paul Jones Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Mem. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Serv. 6:00 p.m. Thurs. Serv. 7:00 p.m.</p>
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Elba Tradition

Continues

By Katie R. Hodge

On a Friday night at Panama City Beach, Fla., students, teachers, and families watched the news reports of a small Alabama town ravaged by flooding rains and steadily sinking. Wait a minute - it was Elba and those were our neighbors watching their houses fill with water. This was our inclination of what was to come. As EHS students we feel it is our duty to report to you, the concerned public, on our conditions. The past weeks have been extremely busy and hectic for many, and the furthest thing from many minds has been to sit down, to read the newspaper, but now in the following weeks, some time can be taken to learn about the situation at the new Elba High School.

None of us knew quite what to expect as we filled the parking lot of the National Guard Army on Monday morning. We had all heard stories of how we would attend class in tents, eating sack lunches, and using the Port-A-Potties. Well, this was true, but not as bad as we envisioned. Yes, we are crowded and perhaps we do not have the chicken and fries of the short order line and even for our old orange bathrooms. We even have compared ourselves to the 407th M.A.S.H.

The army green tents, guns and helicopters would remind one of exactly what it is, a military installation. But this all does not have to work against us. Sure the senior's graduation invitations, diplomas and the yearbook that has consumed many precious hours of our lives are washed away. But we didn't and we have to be thankful for all the books and supplies and even expensive equipment can be replaced. Even if not in ordinary circumstances, we must be willing to make things work and continue what for many of us was started over twelve years ago. Though we have indeed pitied ourselves, the senior class is not to be pitied. We will make it through and end the year in style, no matter what. Those left behind next August will also have the responsibility of continuing the kind of tradition expected at Elba High School.

Hey, count me in. The plan sounds wonderful. I'm sure anyone who has ever been henpecked, nagged, etc. would be all for it too. How could Noriega have ever lasted as long as he did if he one of those girls next door complaining about missing her tanning bed appointment or worse yet, her favorite soap opera?

The plan only leaves a few loopholes. What if the leader is a woman, such as in the Philippines? We

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We get to wear short pants after craving them with years of passion.

However, if we would have known it was going to be like this we'd prefer to sacrifice the fashion.

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We compare legs under the Vo-made walls and.

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I respect the man who said, "If you work hard you will be able to pay the rent."

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Henspecking For World Peace

By Chad Tindol

Recently while thumbing through an old issue of Rolling Stone, I came upon a very interesting idea. Sacked in the middle of an article on the Soviet pullout from Afghanistan was the answer to most of the world's problems. Instead of trying to synthesize the ideas of writer P.J. O'Rourke, I'll just reproduce them as they appeared:

"Has anyone ever considered the American Girl-friend plan for World Peace? What you do is give every important world leader an American girlfriend. For instance, there never would have been a Pearl Harbor. Now, you listen to me, Hildegarde. If you think you're going off to bomb Hawaii and leave me here all by myself, you've got another thing coming. Mr. Big Shot Japanese Warlord! I'm sure it would work!"

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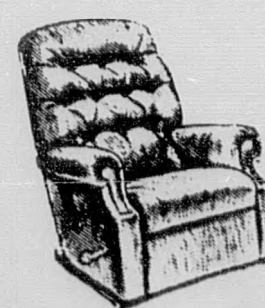
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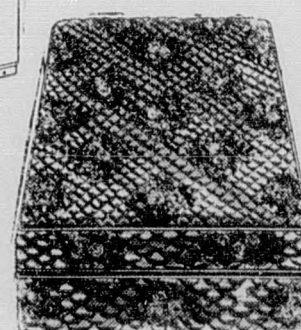
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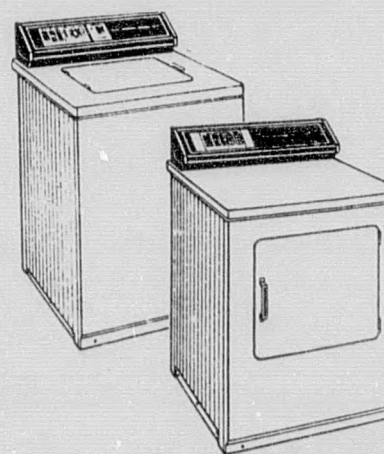
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THE PRESSBOX

By Ricky Mularz

Damage to fields may delay start of youth leagues

I went to a parks and recreation conference in Huntsville early in the week and took off my name badge after the first day after telling about a thousand folks all about the Elba flood. It wasn't bad at first, because I didn't know many people, but every salesman at the conference just knew that Elba needed everything and everybody else simply wanted to find out how bad it really was. I did talk with enough folks to get a promise of some funds to help the recreation department get back on its feet and even attended a course entitled "Recreational Plans For Areas in Flood Plains."

The trip was educational and I learned a lot of things that will make our department better, but it sure was nice to get back down to our own "flood plain" and get back in my own bed!

TIGER BASEBALLERS GET OFF TO SLUGGING START

The Elba Tiger baseball team opened its season last week and did so in fine fashion as the Tigers swept a double-header from Arion and then won one of two down in a tournament in Florida. It's always nice to win'em all, but with all the distractions the Tigers have had to deal with, winning three out of four ain't too bad!

The Tigers surprised even themselves against Arion as they knocked the ball all over the ballpark in handing the talented Purple Cats two losses. Shane Blanton collected 4 hits in 5 at bats, including a home-run, to lead Elba to the wins, while Chris Thomas also added a homer and no less than 10 different players knocked out hits. The Tigers were expected to have a good hitting team and in the opener against Arion they showed why.

Elba stepped up in class over the weekend down in Crestview, but still managed one win in two games and found out just how good, and bad, they could be. The Tigers appeared solid in all areas in defeating a team from Kentucky, but fell apart against Holmes County and found out that what they'd done in the past means nothing.

Another bright spot for the Tigers was the pitching of Jamie Whitworth, Mark Matthews and Shane Spurlin. All three looked impressive in the opening week of action and Spurlin chalked up two wins, making him the early ace of the staff. If these three can continue to be consistent and get some help out of the bullpen, the pitching problems everyone was worried about may be solved.

I know that one week doesn't make a season and that the Tigers still have a long way to go, however; this bunch of players have been winning baseball games since they were old enough to put on a glove, and if they work hard and keep improving, big things could happen!

RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES AGAIN MOVING FORWARD

I know that a lot of folks, including me, didn't give recreation a whole lot of thought back when the water was storming through our home town; however, life goes on and before long the adult and youth recreation leagues will be going strong.

The Men's Softball League got hit hard by the flood as several teams lost their sponsors when the sponsors lost their businesses, and other teams saw their players scatter. The league is scheduled to start next week and even though the teams aren't sure what they'll be called, I'm sure they'll come out swinging when the ump's yell "Play Ball!"

The Dixie Youth and Babe Ruth baseball leagues are scheduled to open their seasons in a couple of weeks, but could have the starts delayed and games moved before long. There was heavy damage to the fields during the flood and the concession building was totally destroyed. The fields can be repaired, but at the present time, both baseball league seasons are still in the planning stages.

IN CLOSING....

I have never been a fan of Brent Musburger, because I always felt he thought he was bigger than the events he covered for CBS, but the suddenness with which he got the boot last week made even me feel for him. I know that it was Musburger that couldn't agree with a new contract (the old one was for \$2 million per year) and the ousting was partially his own doing; however, after years of service he deserved at least a little respect.

The major flood damage to the baseball fields at Legion Field may force a delay in the scheduled starts of both the Dixie Youth and Babe Ruth baseball leagues.

Ricky Mularz, Director of the Elba Department of Parks and Recreation, reported that while the fields could be repaired in time for the upcoming seasons, paperwork involving federal aid could slow down the repairs.

"We have to do exactly what the federal officials tell us if we are to get any funds to do the repairs," said Mularz, "and while I want to get the seasons started as badly as anyone, without financial aid we won't be able to do the repairs that will allow us to get back on the fields."

"I am confident that we can do the work needed to make the fields playable," added Mularz, "but it is going to take time and we are going to make sure the fields are ready before we get back on them."

"I have looked at alternatives as far as moving some early season games to other fields," said Mularz, "but right now all we can do is get ready and then make decisions when the time comes."

"We will play baseball and softball in Elba this year and I believe the seasons will start on time," predicted Mularz.

DYL player draft set for tonight

The annual player draft for the Elba Dixie Youth Baseball League will take place on Thursday night, April 5, at 7:00 p.m., at City Hall.

All coaches must attend this meeting to select the new players in the league for the coming season.

The Dixie Youth season is scheduled to begin in late-April and practice will start officially after the draft.

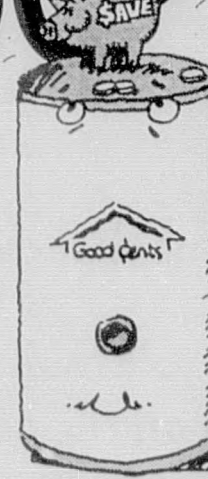
Mens softball to open season

The Elba Men's Softball League will open its season next week with nine teams expected to compete.

The schedule for the league wasn't completed at press time; however, it is expected that the league will open its season on Tuesday night, with all teams in action.

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Elba Tigers open season with sweep over Ariton Purple Cats

The Elba Tiger baseball team opened its season with a bang last Thursday afternoon when it swept a double-header from the Ariton Purple Cats in Ariton.

The Tigers, under the direction of Coach David Lowery, claimed a hard fought 5-4 win in the opener, and then brought out the big bats in the finale as they rolled to a lopsided 13-3 win.

Following are highlights of the double-header sweep:

ELBA 5 ARITON

Elba jumped out to an early 5-0 lead and held on to nip the Ariton Purple Cats 5-4, in last week's season opener.

The Tigers wasted little time getting on the scoreboard as Kevin Mathews reached on an error to open the game, moved to third on a single by Shane Blanton and scored on an error off the bat of Chris Thomas.

Jason Grider opened the third inning with a single and later scored on an rbi single by Willie Flowers as the Tigers upped their lead to 2-0, and in the fourth inning the Tigers extended their lead to 5-0 and appeared to have the game under control.

A two-run home-run by Shane Blanton was a big hit in the three run outburst, while the other score came on a two-out double by Hayden Young that knocked in Jason Grider.

Ariton was down, but not about to quit, and combined a timely double with four walks in the fifth inning to plate three runs and chop the Elba lead to 5-3.

The Purple Cats opened the seventh inning with two hits and cut the lead to 5-4; however, the Cats could score no more as the Tigers held on for the exciting 5-4 win.

Shane Blanton, Hayden Young and Willie Flowers all got 2 hits for the Tigers, while Kevin Mathews, Chris Thomas, Jason Grider, Kyle Dubose and Benny Wilkerson all added 1 hit.

Jamie Whitworth picked up the mound win for the Tigers, with Shane Spurlin chalking up a save.

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Elba spotted Ariton a quick 3-0 lead and then came storming back to hand the Purple Cats a 13-3 spanking in the night cap of the

double-header. Ariton stunned the Tigers in the bottom of the first when Jernigan swatted a three-run homer to give the Cats a 3-0 lead; however, the home-run only seemed to make the Tigers mad as Elba rallied in the second inning to score 7 runs and take the lead for good!

Ronald McKinnon and David Rowe both drew walks to open the inning, with McKinnon coming around to score when Joel Kirkland

reached on a fielder's choice.

Consecutive walks to Todd McCall, Eric Simmons and Hayden Young forced in a pair of runs as the Tigers pulled even at 3-3, and Chris Thomas then emptied the bases in a hurry as he ripped a grand-slam home-run to put the Tigers way ahead 7-3!

David Rowe doubled to open the third inning for Elba and quickly came around to score on an rbi sin-

gle by Joel Kirkland. A single by Todd McCall gave the Tigers two baserunners, and both reached home when Hayden Young delivered a one-out single.

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Elba dumps McClain County, Kentucky 7-1

The Elba Tigers staged a late rally to post a 7-1 win over McClain County, Kentucky, last Saturday in a baseball tournament in Crestview, Florida.

The Tigers left the bases loaded

in the first inning, wasting a leadoff double by Hayden Young and single by Chris Thomas and Jason Grider, but then found the going a little too tough as they managed only one baserunner for the next

Holmes County rips Tigers 10-3

The Elba Tigers saw their winning ways come to an abrupt halt last Saturday afternoon when they fell to the Holmes County Blue Devils 10-3, in a baseball tournament held in Crestview, Florida.

Holmes County scored once in the first inning, twice in the third and three runs in the fourth inning to grab a quick 6-0 lead that it would never relinquish.

The Tigers got on the scoreboard in the fifth inning when David Rowe opened with a walk and scored on an error off the bat of Todd McCall, and had a chance to get back in the ballgame as they loaded the bases with two outs, only to leave the bases full and settle for the lone run.

Holmes County scored 4 runs in the fifth inning to extend its lead to

10-1 and easily held on for the win, despite a late Elba rally.

The Tiger runs came in the seventh inning when Joel Kirkland walked, moved to second when Shane Blanton was hit by a pitch and scored on a hit by Chris Thomas.

Blanton later scored on an error off the bat of Jason Grider, but it was way too little, way too late, as the Tigers took the loss 10-3.

Shane Blanton, Chris Thomas, Jason Grider, Hayden Young and Joel Kirkland all got 1 hit for the Tigers.

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Lowery pleased with early wins

The Elba Tigers opened the baseball season last week with three wins in four outings, leaving Coach David Lowery pleased and cautiously optimistic about the remainder of the season.

"We really didn't know what to expect against Ariton in the season opener," stated Lowery, "but the players came through like champs and knocked the cover off the ball to claim the double-header win. We had practiced only once since the

flood and had done no hitting; however, things just fell into place and we looked like a solid baseball team."

"The competition was quite a bit tougher down in Crestview and I think we learned something in the loss to Holmes County," added Lowery. "We played like we hadn't seen a baseball before, both at the plate and in the field, and the loss may have brought the entire team back down to earth. The early wins gave the team confidence, but at the same time it gave the players a false feeling of how good they actually were. The lopsided loss let everyone know in a hurry that you play 'em all one game at a time and what you've done in the past means nothing."

"After four games I have to be pleased with the maturity of the team and the way the players have overcome adversity," said Lowery. "Our hitting has been a bright spot and the pitching has been excellent at times. We have a long way to go, but the players all know what they can do and we'll work hard to improve."

ASA umpires test to be given

The ASA National Umpires test will be given on Sunday night, April 8, at 7:00 p.m., at City Hall. The cost of the test will be \$30 per person and will be payable at the time of the test.

Anyone wishing to umpire baseball or softball this summer in Elba must take this test!

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The 6th grade ANR 4-H Club officers for the 1989-90 school year at Elba Middle School are: (from left to right, front): Shndez Daniels - president; Griffin Shirley - vice president; Todd Hooks - secretary; Joe Lott - reporter; (back): Rosco Coleman - devotional leader; Sterling Jones - song leader; and Clisbe Thomas - song leader.



The 4th grade ANR 4-H Club officers for the 1989-90 school year at Elba Middle School are: (from left to right, front): Luke Bludworth - president; Randy Dodd - vice president; Joe Fuller - secretary; Corey Adkinson - devotional leader; (back): Courtney Robinson - song leader; DeLon Daniels - song leader; and Stanley Prior - teacher leader.



The 6th grade boys 4-H Club officers for the 1989-90 school year at Elba Middle School are: (from left to right, front): Derek Marler - president; Randy Dodd - vice president; Wayne Duncan - secretary; Shawn Bryan - devotional leader; (back): Chris Tyson - devotional leader; Brian Rowe - song leader; and Jason Smith - song leader.



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News Among Our Service Folks

MICHEAL E. SANSOM

Air Force Tech. Sgt. Micheal E. Sansom has arrived for duty in Panama.

Sansom is a data automation supervisor with the 1978th Communications Group.

He is the son of Franklin E. Sansom of Kinston, AL, and Patricia A. Morris of Rural Route 4, Elba, AL. His wife, Vicki, is the daughter of Ladon and Margaret A. Clark of Rural Route 3, Phenix City, AL.

The sergeant is a 1973 graduate of Kinston High School, and a 1989 graduate of Troy State University, Montgomery, AL.

KAREN A. MAGWOOD

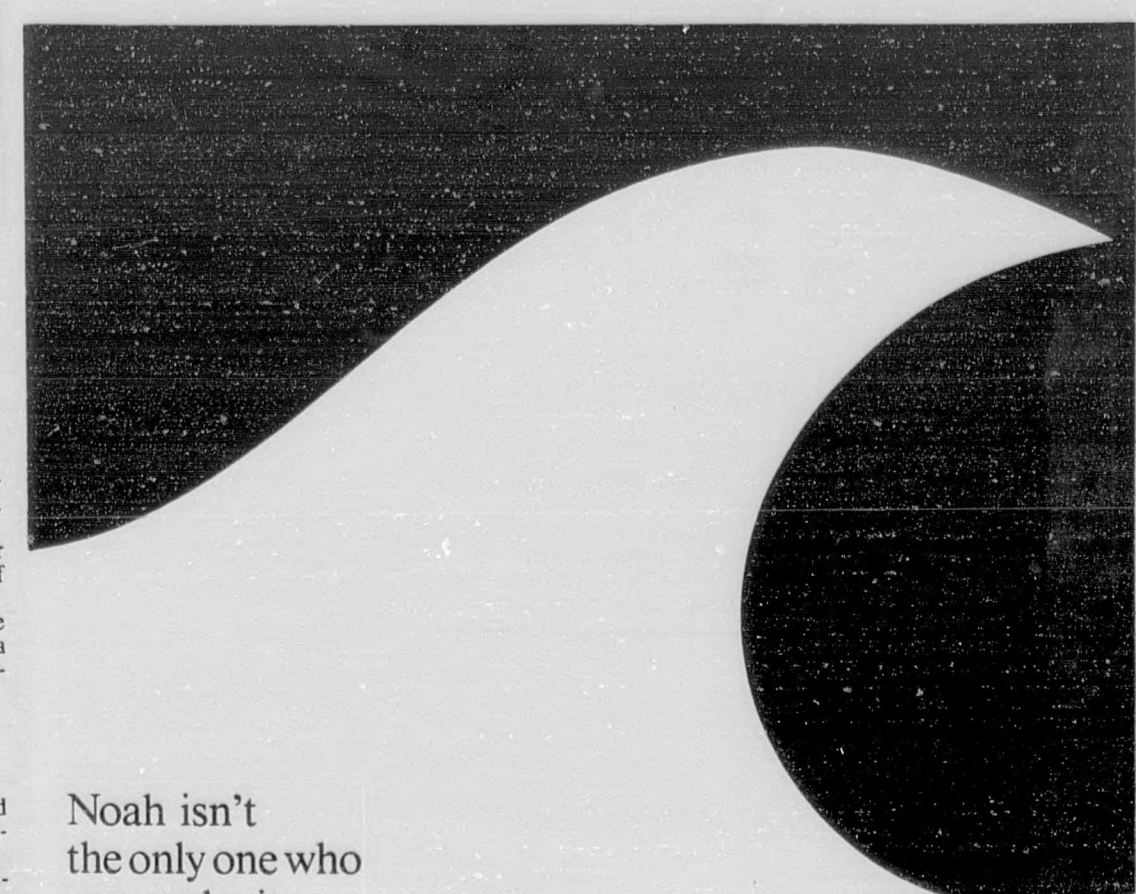
Army Spec. Karen A. Magwood has arrived for duty at Fort Benning, Ga.

Magwood is an ammunition specialist with the 608th Ordnance Company.

She is the daughter of David E. Taylor of 2214 Collier Road, Springfield, Ohio.

Her husband, Sgt. Emanuel Magwood, is the son of Rev. Emanuel Magwood of 420 Adkinson Ave., Elba, AL.

The specialist is a 1983 graduate of Greenon High School, Enon, Ohio.



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Elba Veterans Service Office Closed

Due to the recent flood in the Elba Veterans Service Office is closed until further notice due to damage to the building, equipment, and records. Mr. Robert E. Lolley, Veterans Service Officer, will be in

the Enterprise Veterans Service Office located in the Enterprise Court house, Monday through Friday, from 8:00 A.M. to 4:30 P.M. For further information, please call 347-6440. It is requested that Elba

clients that come into the Enterprise office, please bring with them any U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs correspondence and/or discharge, etc. they might have in their possession.

Nicholson Wins Two First Places In Corn Yield Contest

Claude R. Nicholson, Elba, Ala., has been awarded two first places for Alabama in the 1989 National Corn Growers Association (NCGA) Corn Yield Contest. Nicholson captured the honors with his contest yield entry of 206.27 bushels per acre in the Irrigated Division and 208.26 bushels per acre

in the Class A Non-Irrigated Division. Nicholson's award winning corn hybrid for both divisions of the contest was PX 9540 from Northrup King.

State and national winners in the 1989 National Corn Yield Contest were honored during the NCGA Corn Classic at the Phoenix Convention Center, Phoenix, Az. in February.



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Roberts Is 1990 County Leukemia Chairman

Ted Roberts is the 1990 Coffee County campaign chairman for the Leukemia Society of America. He is the president of SouthTrust Bank in Enterprise. His appointment is announced by district chairman Eben L. Averett of Etowah and state campaign chairman Jim Sullivan.

During the spring, Roberts will be contacting businesses and individuals for contributions to the Alabama Chapter. Donations will be used to fund valuable research, patient services and education programs sponsored by the Society.

More than 1000 Alabama patients are enrolled for financial assistance from the Alabama Chapter. Each patient is eligible for up to \$750 per year for lab charges, transportation, chemotherapy, and radiation therapy.

In addition, the Society is supporting research at U. A. B. with grants of more than \$200,000. The Leukemia Society of America is a national voluntary health agency supported solely by public contributions which are deductible. Inquiries are welcome and requests should be made to the Chapter Office at 1608 15th Avenue South, Suite 103, Birmingham, AL 35205; 205-939-1690.

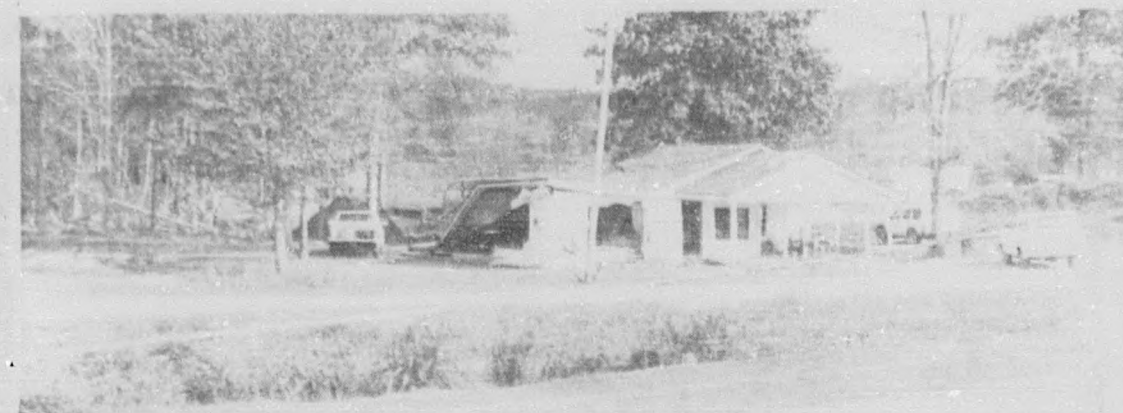
Disaster Relief Is Available

Disaster relief assistance for service-connected disabled veterans affected by recent flooding in the Elba area is available from the Disabled American Veterans (DAV). Disabled veterans who need assistance should call the DAV office in Montgomery. Phone number: (205) 223-7044. Veterans should have their VA claim number and/or Social Security Number available when they call. No repayment is required on grants provided under the DAV Disaster Relief Fund, which is designed to help those people with such needed items as food, shelter and clothing not covered by insurance or other disaster relief agencies.

Alabama Insurance Invests \$2,980,000 In Coffee County

The Allstate Insurance Group has invested more than \$2,980,000 in bonds in Coffee County, according to B. G. Walsh, the companies' regional vice president for Alabama.

The companies' investments in Coffee County include the Elba Waterworks and Electric Board, and Enterprise Waterworks. "It continues to be Allstate's policy to support the development of areas in which we do business by investing in local communities," Walsh said. "We are a corporate citizen in each of the communities in which our offices are located. Like all citizens, we will share in the progress of these communities and surrounding areas."



TOTALLY DESTROYED . . . This house, located outside the levee just north of the break, was totally destroyed by flood waters.

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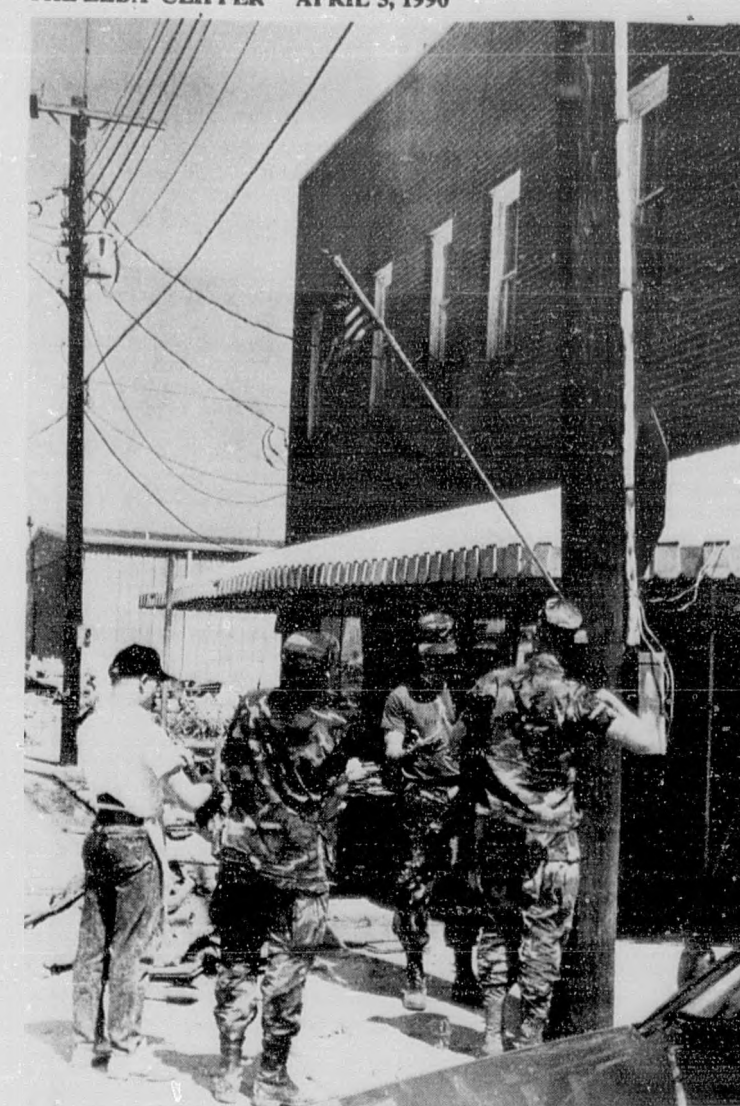
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ALABAMA NATIONAL GUARDSMEN are shown positioning the American flag so that it might wave proudly even as they help clean up the mess left by the flood in Elba. Some Guardsmen, most probably engineering units, will be doing their summer training in Elba.

Alabama National Guard assist in massive clean-up in Elba, Ala.

The first group of Alabama National Guard troops working in an annual training (AT) status will depart their north Alabama armories on Saturday, March 31, bound for Elba.

At the request of Gov. Guy Hunt, National Guard Bureau in Washington, D.C. approved a request to utilize Alabama Army Guard engineer troops in an AT status to assist in the massive clean-up operations in Elba and other area towns.

A 40-man composite platoon from the 1343d Engineer Battalion with 25 pieces of equipment will stay at the New Brocton National Guard armory.

The 1343d has headquarters in Athens, Scottsboro, Double Springs and Hammondville.

"The main requirement in receiving approval for our engineer units and personnel to assist in an AT status was that they work in their military job specialty," said Maj. Gen. Ivan F. Smith, adjutant general of Alabama.

"All personnel involved will be working in the same job they perform in the unit, thus enhancing their skills while providing a valuable service to the citizens of the affected towns."

The equipment will include 14 5-ton dump trucks, two bulldozers, a 2 1/2 yard capacity front end loader, fuel truck, a maintenance team truck, three heavy equipment movers and three administrative vehicles.

The guardsmen will work mainly in removing the items and material damaged or destroyed by the flood waters and hauling it to landfills.

If required, additional Guard engineer and personnel and equipment will be committed to the operation as needs are determined by the Federal Emergency Management Agency and the Corps of Engineers.

At the height of relief operations, more than 400 Alabama Guard members were on duty at one time at various locations in south and central Alabama.

In all, more than 550 Guard members were involved in the relief operations at one time or another.

Aid for unemployed if due to flooding

Workers in Coffee County who are unemployed as a result of the recent flooding may be eligible for benefits under the Disaster Unemployment assistance (DUA) program. Applications for these benefits must be filed by April 22.

John G. Allen, director of the Alabama Department of Industrial Relations, said persons eligible for DUA benefits are those who worked in or live in Coffee County and became unemployed or could not engage in their customary self-employment as a result of the flooding last week.

Claims for DUA may be filed at the Enterprise Unemployment Compensation office located in the Westgate Shopping Center. Those filing for DUA assistance are requested to bring some evidence of 1989 earnings if at all possible.

ADVERTISE



SEABASS PRESENTS CHECK . . . Ronny Jimright (Right), presented Mayor Fred Moore two checks totaling \$2,000 to be used on the restoration of the park on Pea River at the Hwy. 84 bridge. (This presentation was made on Tuesday evening, March 13 - a lot of water has gone under the bridge since then!)

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Flood disaster assistance still available

Although the Disaster Application Centers (DAC) operating in southern Alabama have closed, assistance is still available to victims of the March floods who live in Elba and any of the 26 disaster-declared counties.

Those who have flood related losses not fully covered by regular insurance or flood insurance can apply for federal/state aid by calling the Disaster Application Hotline, 1-800-542-2165. The call is free and the Hotline is in operation from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily. The Hotline will continue to operate until May 21.

Even though flood victims have until May 21 to register for assistance, the sooner a person applies the sooner the aid will arrive," said Tom Crede, federal coordinating officer of the disaster recovery effort. "For that reason, anyone living in one of the disaster-declared counties who had uninsured losses in the floods which occurred between March 15 and March 28 should call the Hotline as soon as possible."

The counties declared eligible for individual assistance are: Autauga, Barbour, Bullock, Butler, Calhoun, Chilton, Clarke, Coffee, Conecuh, Covington, Crenshaw, Dale, Dallas, Elmore, Escambia, Geneva, Henry, Houston, Lowndes, Mobile, Montgomery, Monroe, Pike, Randolph, Washington and Wilcox.

Through Sunday, April 1, a total of 3759 people had registered for various types of disaster assistance. Of that number, 663 applied over the Hotline in the 26 county area.

Assistance that disaster victims apply for comes in the form of temporary housing, low-interest loans, direct grants to individuals who have serious unmet needs, and disaster unemployment for those out of work due to the disaster.

Other forms of assistance are also available to farmers through the Farmer Home Administration and other U.S. Department of Agriculture agencies. Only loans are available for business losses, not grants.

TEMPORARY HOUSING
People who have been forced out of their homes due to damage caused by flooding may be eligible for temporary housing in the form of rental money, provided their insurance does not cover that expense.

If the damage is not too extensive, homeowners may also qualify for a housing grant to make necessary repairs so they may live in their homes while additional repairs are being made. This would be an amount to make the home safe, sanitary, and secure. This grant is not designed to fund complete repairs.

DISASTER LOANS
Low-interest disaster loans up to \$100,000 are available to homeowners, for losses not fully covered by insurance, through the Small Business Administration (SBA) to repair or rebuild their homes. They may also borrow up to \$20,000 to repair or replace personal property, including appliances and automobiles.

Renters who qualify may also borrow up to \$20,000 to repair or replace personal property. For homeowners and renters who would be able to obtain a loan elsewhere the rate is 8 percent. If they are unable to borrow money else where, the rate is 4 percent. Most loans are approved for the lower rate.

Business owners may apply for loans up to \$500,000 to repair or replace disaster-related damaged property owned by the business, including buildings, equipment, inventory and supplies. Small businesses and small agricultural cooperatives (not farmers) may also apply for Economic Injury Disaster loans of up to \$500,000 to assist them through the disaster recovery period.

INDIVIDUAL AND FAMILY GRANTS
Individuals who qualify can apply for up to \$10,400 in a direct grant for uninsured losses sustained as a result of the floods. The appli-

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A time to weep, and a time to laugh; a time to mourn, and time to dance; a time to cast away stones, and a time to gather stones together; a time to embrace, and a time to refrain from embracing.

A time to get, and a time to lose; a time to keep, and a time to cast away.

Ecclesiastes 3:16

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Mrs. Juanita Brooks
Mrs. Wilmer Henderson
Mrs. Mary Gibson

PASTOR'S ANNIVERSARY

Rev. Eddie Ingram
Assistant Pastor of Morning Star
Baptist Church - Enterprise, AL

Theme: Therefore all things
what-so ever ye would that men
should do to you, do ye even so to
them: for this is the law and the
prophecy.

Matt 7:12

Choir - Morning Star

Patricia Folmar, Athens, AL;
Joyce B. Johnson, and Kathy, Tus-
cumbia, AL., visited relatives in
Elba the past weekend. (Patricia &
Joyce are formerly of Elba.)



GREGORY SCOTT KELLEY
Barbara Jean Kelley (both fami-
lies of Elba)

Greg Kelley is the son of Glen
and Ernestine B. Kelley, Elba.
He is the 1988 graduate of Elba
High School and a member of
Rocky Head Missionary Baptist
Church, Elba. Rev. A.R. Williams,
Pastor, Greg said "I am a former
employee of the Big Bear, Elba, and
I was a member of the Elba-Ita
Football Team (Still my favorite
team) and when the team plays
in North Alabama, I'm there "root-
ing" for them. We did win the 3A
State Championship you know? Pre-
sently I am residing in Tuscum-
bia, AL., and an employee of West-

ern Bonanza.

While visiting my home town, I
was in Flowers Hospital in Dothan,
and could not get back in Elba be-
cause of the flood. And thank God
things are some better and by the
grace of God we'll make it.

Barbara Jean is the sister of
Greg and lives in Mt. Vernon, N.Y.
She is an employee of Barclays
Bank of New York. She is the
1985 graduate of Lanier High
School, Montgomery, AL.

Take care you two and God
Bless!

People helping people; that's
what it's all about. And Elba has
certainly been helpful. Thanks be
to God our Saviour.

If my people, which are called
by my name, shall humble them-
selves, and pray, and seek my face,
and turn from their wicked ways;
then will I hear from heaven and
will forgive their sin, and will heal
their land.

II Chronicles 7:14

Today is a good day, rejoice and
be glad.

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8. The class meets from 5:30 to
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day June 11 - 14. For additional in-
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President's & Dean's
List Named At Wallace
Community College

Lurleen B. Wallace State Col-
lege announces the President's List
carried 12 or more quarter hours
and maintained a 4.00 (A) average.
Students on the Dean's List carried
12 or more quarter hours and main-
tained a 3.50 (B) average.

Students whose names appeared
on the President's List from Elba
and surrounding areas were: Sheila
Underwood, Kinston, Kristopher
Blackmon, Brenda Korvin, Kelley
Kilcrease, William Rayborn
Brantley and Anita Biddle -
Samson.

Those names appearing on the
Dean's List were: Sharon Bryan-
Elba, Lee Chandler,
Janice Edison, Suzanne Keena,
Johnny Senn - Brantley and Tam-
my Peavey - Samson.

Auburn Awards
Degrees Recently

Auburn University awarded 766
degrees at winter quarter's com-
mencement ceremonies on Friday,
March 16, according to prelimi-
nary figures released by AU Regis-
trar Tom Stallworth.

At the 2:30 p.m. ceremony in
Joel H. Eaves-Memorial Coliseum,
AU awarded 634 bachelor's de-
grees, and 111 master's degrees.
Also, a total of 21 doctoral degrees
were presented.

Students from this area include:
From New Brockton - Bache-
lor - Heather A. Peacock
From Enterprise - Bachelor -
Jerry E. Bavaro, Tina M. Bavaro,
Jeffrey D. Fralish, Kelly J. Har-
ding, Deborah A. Hays, Eugene P.
Malikoff, Jr., Phillip J. Thomas, and
Jim W. Thompson

COFFEE COUNTY

SCHOOLS

LUNCHROOM MENU

April 9-13, 1990

BREAKFAST
Monday - Peanut Butter/Jelly
Toast, Sausage Link, Juice, Cereal,
Milk.
Tuesday - Donuts, Cereal, Juice,
Milk.
Wednesday - Oatmeal, Toast &
Jelly, Juice, Cereal, Milk.
Thursday - French Toast, Syrup
or Honey, Sausage Patty, Juice.

LUNCH
Monday - Pig-in-Blanket or Fish
Nuggets, June Peas, Potato Salad,
Oranges, Macaroni, Macaroni/
Cheese, Hushpuppies W/
Fish, Milk.
Tuesday - Taco salad or Hotdog,
hash Browns, Whole kernel corn,
bananas, Pineapple, Cookie, Milk.
Wednesday - Burrito W/ toma-
toe sauce or Vegetable beef soup,
Baked potatoe W/ butter, String
beans, Choice of fruits, Crackers
W/ soup, milk, No bake cookie.
Thursday - Turkey or Chicken
Sandwich, Dressing, Cranberry
sauce W/ Dressing, Sweet potatoe
casserole, Butter beans, choice of
fruit, milk.

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be prepared to give

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* INSURANCE POLICY

NUMBER

* DIRECTIONS TO YOUR

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LEGAL NOTICES

LEGAL NOTICE

(Published Notice of Hearing Be-
fore the Commissioner)

National Security Insurance Com-
pany (the "Company") proposes to adopt a

Plan of Exchange pursuant to the con-
summation of which the existing out-

standing shares of Common Stock of the
Company would be exchanged for newly

issued shares of The National Security
Group, Inc. (the "Holding Company").

The Holding company would thereby be-
come the sole stockholder of the Com-
pany. Stockholders of the Company im-
mediately prior to the exchange would

retain their beneficial ownership of the
Company through their ownership in-
terest in the Holding Company to the

extent that such stockholders do not
elect to dissent from the exchange. No

management or organizational changes
in the Company or changes in the lo-
cation of either the Company or the Holding

Company and their present loca-
tions in Elba, Alabama are con-
templated by the transaction. Those

persons currently serving as directors
of the Holding Company will be the di-
rectors of the Company after the ex-
change.

In accordance with the requirements
of the Alabama Insurance Code, a pub-
lic hearing will be held by the Alabama

Commissioner of Insurance (the "Com-
missioner") on April 11, 1990, at 2:00
p.m. in the offices of the Alabama De-
partment of Insurance, Retirement Sys-
tems Building, 135 South Union Street,
Montgomery, Alabama 36130. All

stockholders and policyholders of the
Company and the Holding Company are
entitled to appear and be heard at the
hearing before the Commissioner. If
you are unable to attend the hearing,
you may give your comments and in-
quiries with the respect to the proposed
transaction to National Security In-
surance Company, 661 East Davis Street,
Elba, Alabama 36123. Attn: William L.
Branson, Jr.

If the Commissioner approves the
plan of exchange as not being adverse
to the financial stability or management
of the Company, in the interest of the
policyholders of the Company and as
being fair to all stockholders, then, and
only then, will the stockholders of the
Company be afforded the opportunity to
vote on whether the plan of ex-
change should proceed. Such stock-
holder approval of the plan of exchange
will require an affirmative vote of the
holders of two thirds (2/3) or more of
the outstanding common stock of the
Company. It is contemplated, assuming
the approval of the Commissioner, that
such vote will be taken at the Annual
Meeting which is scheduled to be con-
vened on April 19, 1990 at 10:00 a.m.
(Central Time) at the executive offices
of the Company at 661 East Davis
Street, Elba, Alabama.

The Board of Directors of the Com-
pany unanimously recommends the
proposed transaction as one that is in
the best interest of the Company and its
stockholders.

Elba, Alabama
April 5, 1990

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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF ALABAMA
SOUTHERN DIVISION

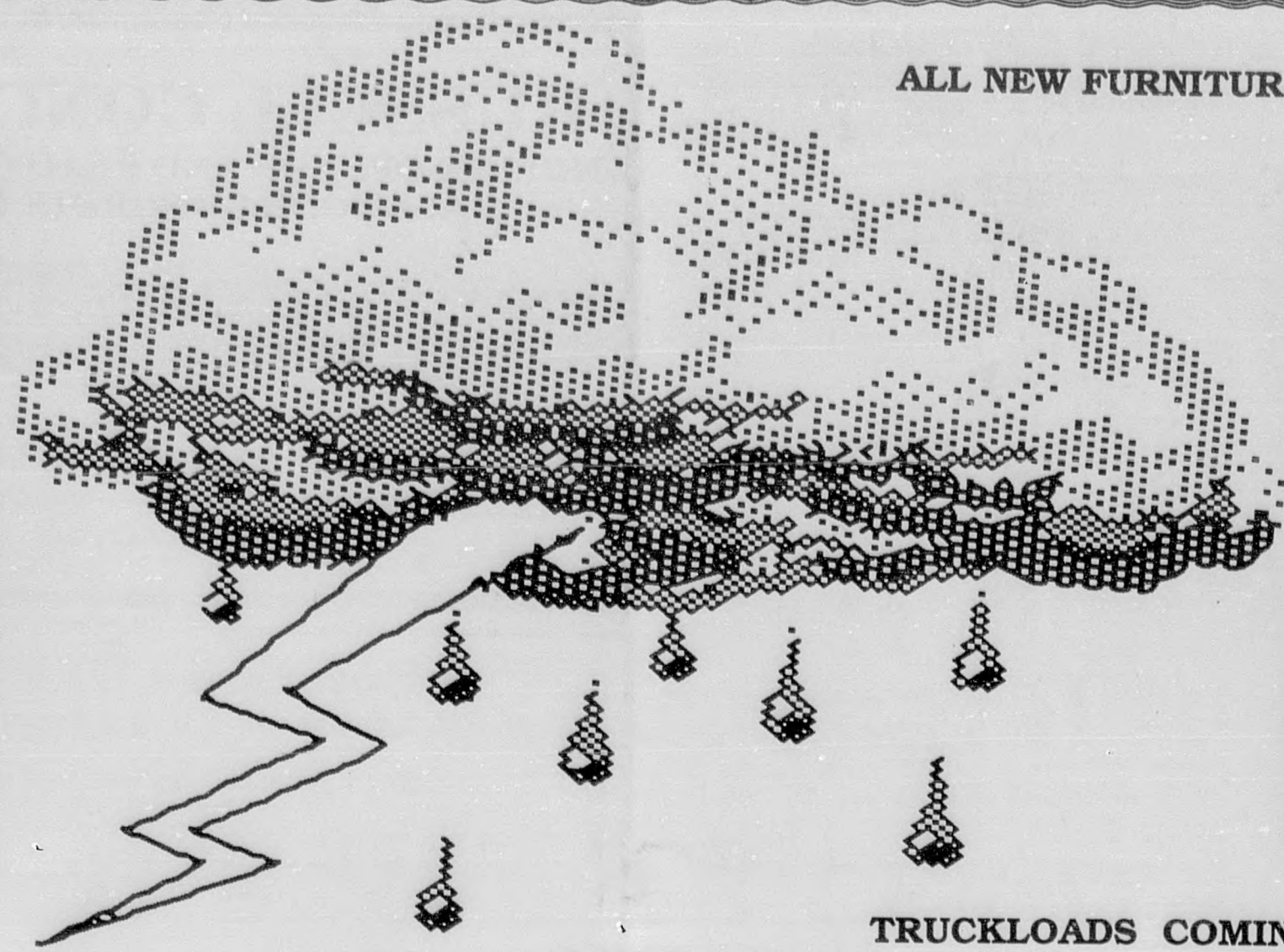
SANDRA WYNN, et al.
Plaintiffs

DINELAND FOOD STORES,
INC., et al.
Defendants

CIVIL ACTION FILE
NO. 87-04763-A

IMPORTANT NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY
TO FILE STATEMENT OF CLAIM FORM

A group of black employees, former employees and applicants for employment has filed a race
discrimination lawsuit against Dineland Food Stores, Inc. ("Dineland") Don Lee and James Brown
together. Dineland has been operating a number of Food Stores in Alabama, Mississippi, Florida and Georgia. This lawsuit claims that
Dineland Food Stores has discriminated against black employees and applicants for employment on the basis of race in hiring, firing, promotion, and other employment practices. The
lawsuit also claims that some black persons who worked for Dineland Food Stores were not paid for work they performed. Dineland Food Stores has denied the charges and has filed a motion to
dismiss the lawsuit. The lawsuit is currently pending in the United States District Court for the Middle District of Alabama, Southern Division. The lawsuit is filed in the name of Sandra Wynn, et al.
The Federal Court in Montgomery, Alabama has ruled that this is a class action and that these black
employees and applicants for employment are entitled to be named as parties to the lawsuit. The parties are urged to file a statement of claim form with the court by the deadline date
of April 11, 1990. The statement of claim form is a form that you must fill out and file with the court. It is a form that you must fill out and file with the court. It is a form that you must
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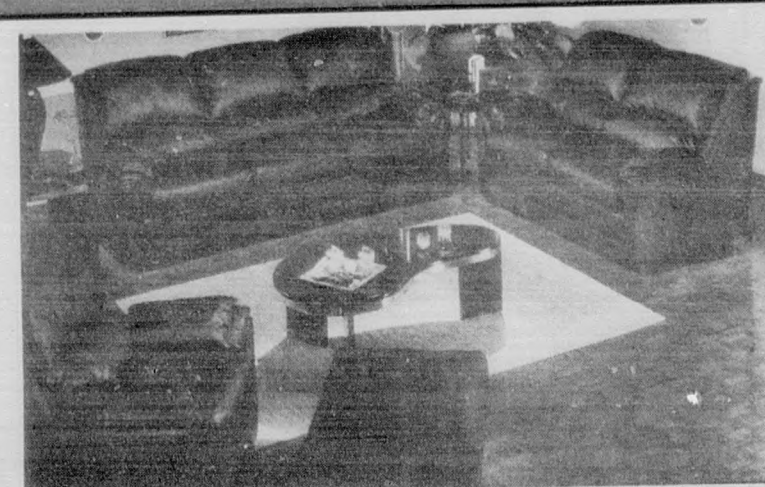
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Sofa & Loveseat
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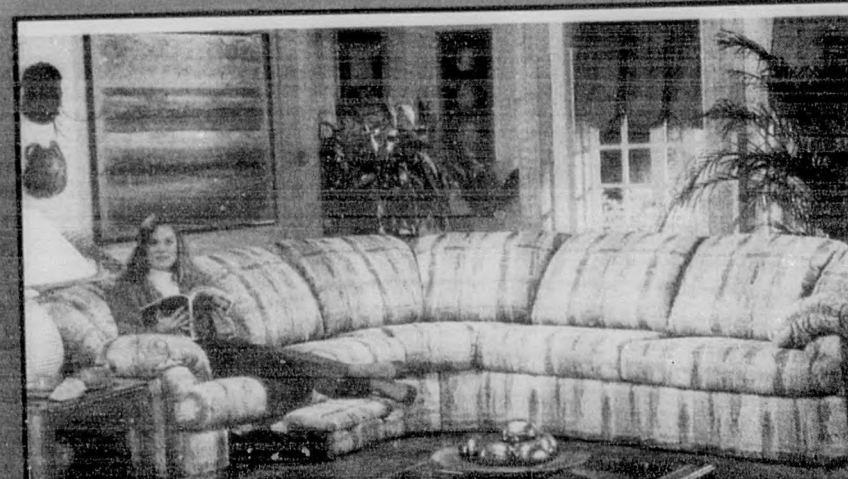


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Sofa & Loveseat
\$33
month

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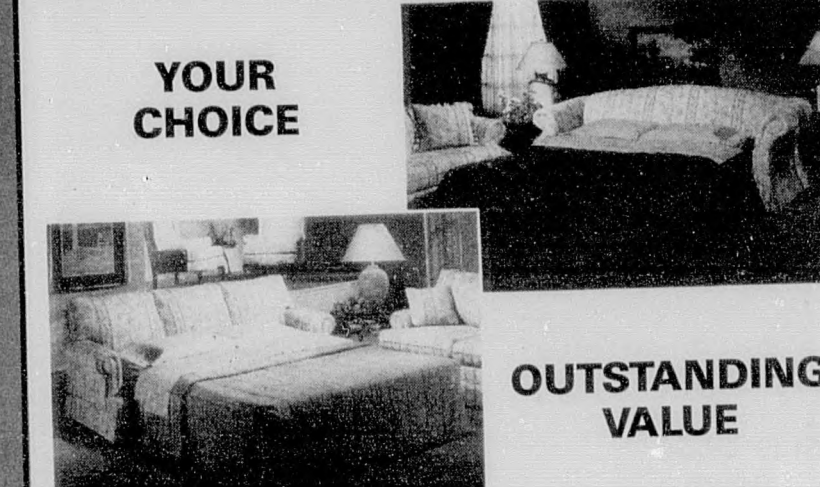
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A MONTH



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Sleeper

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SALE \$499

Matching Sofa

Reg. \$599
SALE \$399

Matching Loveseat

Reg. \$499
SALE \$349

SOFA & LOVESEAT
\$23⁰⁰
month

SLEEPER & LOVESEAT
\$26⁰⁰
month



Hide-a-bed
Sleeper

Reg. \$799
SALE \$499

Matching Sofa

Reg. \$599
SALE \$399

Matching Loveseat

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SALE \$349

SOFA & LOVESEAT
\$23⁰⁰
month

SLEEPER & LOVESEAT
\$26⁰⁰
month



Hide-a-bed
Sleeper

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Matching Sofa

Reg. \$599
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Matching Loveseat

Reg. \$499
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SOFA & LOVESEAT
\$23⁰⁰
month

SLEEPER & LOVESEAT
\$26⁰⁰
month



Hide-a-bed
Sleeper

Reg. \$799
SALE \$499

Matching Sofa

Reg. \$599
SALE \$399

Matching Loveseat

Reg. \$499
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SOFA & LOVESEAT
\$23⁰⁰
month

SLEEPER & LOVESEAT
\$26⁰⁰
month

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Hide-a-bed
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SOFA & LOVESEAT
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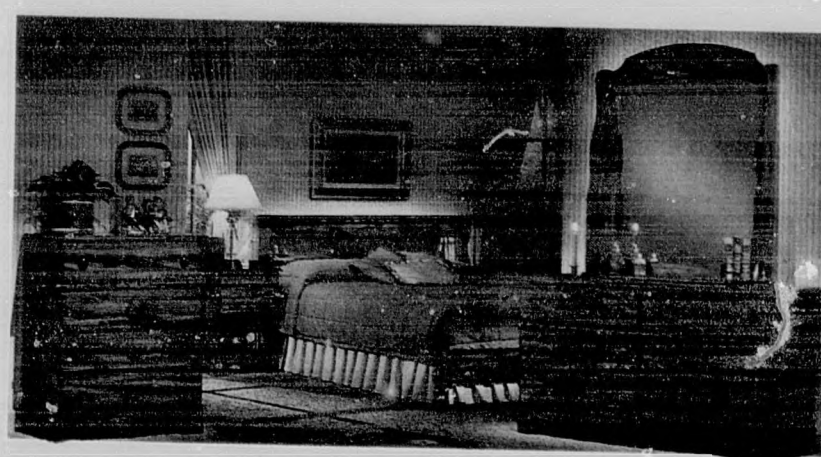
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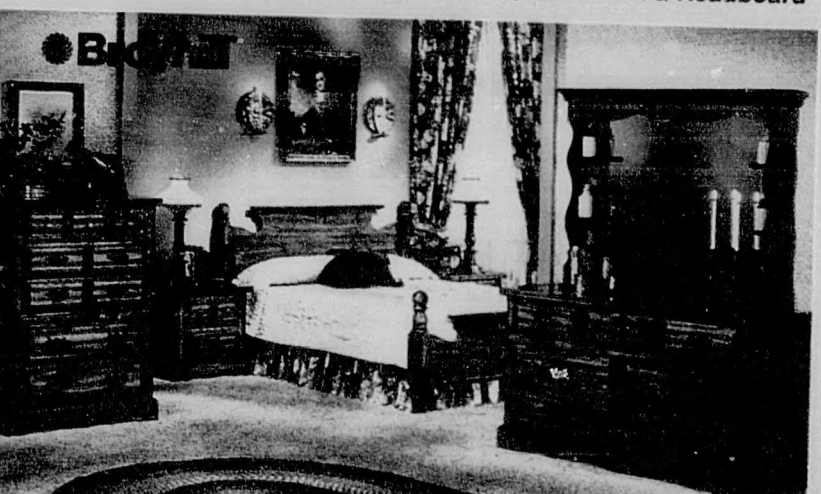
\$499 **Here's a Super Bedroom**
A deep woodgrain finish and built to last! This colonial style group features a bookcase headboard and spacious chest.
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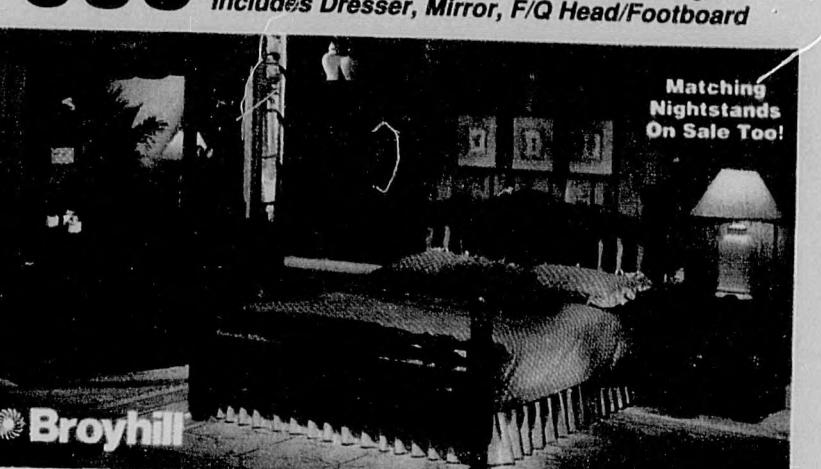
\$699 **Beautiful Cherry Finish Suite**
Exquisite rich finish and all the embellishments! Gracelut poster bed, and triple dresser & hutch mirror.
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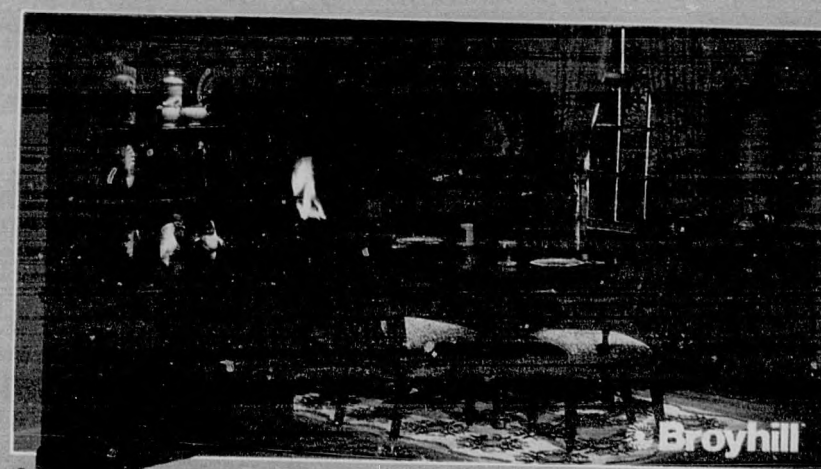
\$399 **Pecan Finish Group**
Stylish and up-to-date at a price you can afford. This suite is accented with brass moldings and hardware.
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Warm pine finish with protective laminated top picnic-style table. This dinette comes with four padded chairs.

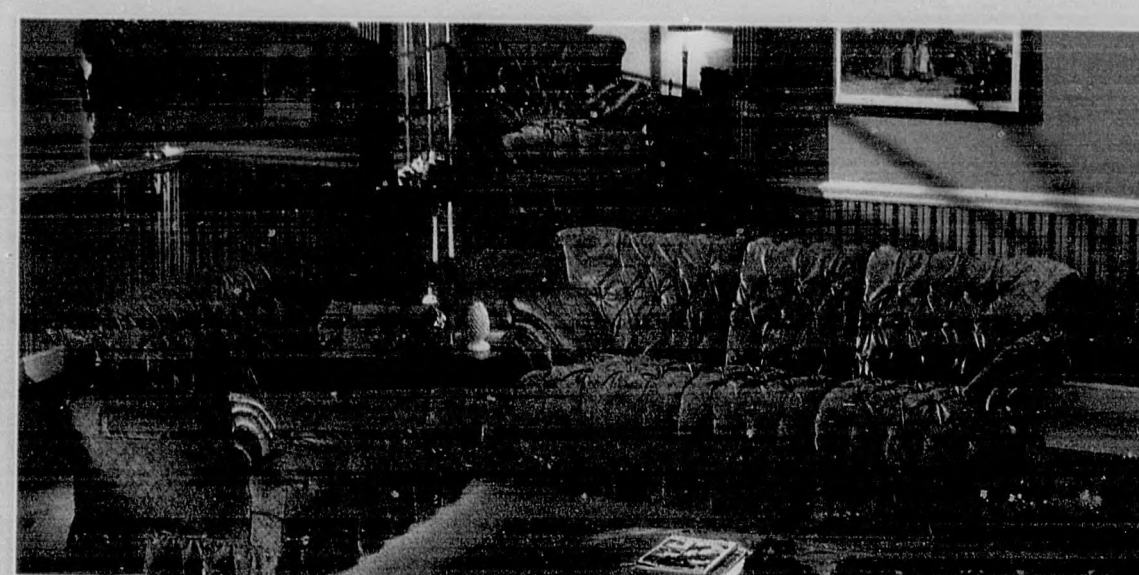


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The Elba Spirit! ... the words on the sign that is nailed to a light pole located on the town square say it all. We may have lost everything, but we'll be back. These words are easy to write, but harder to enact, BUT this can be seen happening all over the City of Elba! NEVER SAY DIE!

City of Elba is having an "Old Fashion Town Meeting"

COME ONE, COME ALL!! All Elba residents are invited to attend an "OLD FASHION TOWN MEETING" this Friday evening, April 13, beginning at 6:00 p.m.

Downtown Elba will be roped off for pedestrian traffic only. Everyone will be asked to park their vehicles in outlying areas and walk to the square.

The activities will take place on the west side of the square.

Organizers of the meeting, City Councilman Randy Bedsole and Johnny Williams with the EMA, urge everyone who possibly can to attend this meeting.

They stress the fact that this is not a "political rally," but a time for all the citizens of Elba to gather together for fellowship with one another.

This is a meeting for the "PEO, PLE!" It will be a time of "loving and caring" and a "very special time" together.

Organizers stated that Elba citizens have come through some very trying times and more lie ahead, but by pulling together, they will make it! That's the "Spirit of Elba!"

Briefs on city happenings

CITY CAR
 The federal programs furnishing the recovery funds to the City of Elba also had provisions to furnish a rental car to the Elba mayor. Recently Mayor Fred Moore accepted the keys to a used Chevrolet sedan, being paid for from these funds. The vehicle is for official use only.

Citing the many trips Moore would be making to meetings relating to the flood, it was strongly recommended he accept the vehicle for this time period.

HANK WILLIAMS MONEY
 The funds from the Hank Williams benefit held in Montgomery two weeks ago have still not been presented to the city, according to Mayor Fred Moore. When asked exactly how much money would be coming, he noted there has been no official word on that either.

Moore explained that when the money is received, it will be put in a special fund to be administered by a committee of area citizens.

MOBILE HOMES
 Residents and businesses who are planning to use a mobile home as temporary homes, etc. because of the flood need to understand the rules.

These mobile units will be allowed in restricted zones as emergency necessities if there was flood damage. However there is a limit of one year or until the home and/or business is repaired, whichever is longer. After that time, an additional permit will be required.

UTILITY BILLS
 Utility bills will be mailed by the City of Elba prior to April 15th. Utility users are urged to contact city hall if they haven't received a bill by that time. The confusion of people living away from their homes could cause someone to miss the bill, but not the responsibility of paying.

HELP FROM OTHERS
 Mayor Fred Moore has been full of praise and thankfulness for all the help received from surrounding communities.

Enterprise has probably led the list of services rendered. They have furnished police, garbage trucks, help for the schools, food, clothing, etc. and asked what else is needed. The list is endless.

Others have helped also. New Brockton doesn't have the facilities of Enterprise, but those they have were offered freely. Dothan, Opp, Troy, Andalusia and other did the same. Moore keeps passing out praises.

County Commission awards bid for year's supply of fuel

The Coffee County Commission meeting in regular session met in the Enterprise Courthouse this past Monday, April 9, at 9:00 a.m.

Business was small in quantity and the commission moved fluidly through the agenda.

Grimes Oil Company of Elba was awarded the year's contract for furnishing diesel fuel and gasoline to the county.

The bid submitted for diesel was .75¢ below the state bid price and also, .75¢ below state bid price for gasoline.

It was stipulated in the motion to accept the low bid that, if for any reason Grimes Oil could not meet delivery (3 days from date ordered), Heath Oil of Enterprise would be given the opportunity to deliver fuel and gasoline at their bid price of .001¢ below state bid on both diesel and gasoline.

If neither company is unable to meet delivery of fuel and gas when ordered, the county will buy from other suppliers at state bid prices.

Appearing before the commission was Sarah Smith, State Probation Officer. She requested the commission's assistance in acquiring temporary housing for her office.

Smith's office assists the courts in Coffee County and also the law enforcement agencies in monitoring parolees. Her office was located in the Elba Courthouse.

The commission agreed to assist Smith and asked her if she could attend a meeting to be held in Elba later in the day to address this problem.

County Administrator Wilson Mobley informed the commission that it was nearing time to bid the publication of the county's poll list.

He was instructed to check with the board of registrars and find out when and what needed to be done.

Mark Pool, County Engineer, reported to the commissioners that 43 of the county's roads were still closed as of today and that 10 had been reopened to public use.

He also reported that FEMA should finish their cost estimates within the next two to three weeks on the damages to county roads by recent heavy rains.

The commission, upon request by Pool, approved paying matching funds so that the construction of the new bridge on County Road 45 could begin.

The cost of the bridge is estimated to be \$112,000.00. Approximately 20 to 30 thousand dollars will be needed in matching funds.

Coffee County Commission Chairman Billy Eagerton recommended to the commission that the county except the proposal to microfilm the records in the probate office. This will pertain to the records from this date forward.

The cost to the county will be approximately \$200 per month at each courthouse in addition to the present cost of the system now being used.

For instance, the system being used in Elba was costing \$967 per month - the cost of the new system will be \$1134 per month.

The records now being restored will be put on this system as soon as they are returned. The cost for doing those will have to be bided.

Back-up records for the new system will be on file in Birmingham, Alabama for safe keeping. Also, approximately a 50 to 75% space savings will be realized from the new system since less storage space for records will be required.

The commission voted to go with the new system.

Ronnie Burns, Revenue Commissioner, and John Brim, County Computer Programmer, address the commission stating that it appeared that all county record stored on computer would be saved.

The only records that were in doubt at this time were those of the county commission office. Burns told the commissioners that an attempt was being made to retrieve those at this time.

Burns also told the commission that, an attempt to give those county residents who suffered flood damage a break on this past year's taxes was to no avail. He was informed by the state that this could not legally be done without special legislation being enacted.

Next year, Burns felt, special consideration will possibly be given to those suffering damage caused by the flood. Re-evaluations and reassessments will be made and taxes levied accordingly.

Commissioner Robert Stephens suggested that the board of registrars be contacted by the commission and asked to provide one additional poll worker at each polling place. The purpose of this worker would be to register anyone who had failed to re-identify.

Stephens stated that, due to the flood, a lot of residents had been displaced and to some degree county government had been disrupted making it harder for voters to reidentify or register to vote.

Eagerton stated that he understood that legislation was being enacted to take care of this matter, but two board members expressed a desire to fill the position from within the system, or at least to give preference to those individuals.

City School Superintendent announces plans to retire

Elba School Superintendent Lamar Foley announced to the school board Thursday night that he would be retiring when his present contract expires June 30th of this year.

Foley explained that health problems were the reason for the decision. He has experienced some heart problems in the past and he said his doctor has advised him to retire.

The tremendous job that lies ahead in managing the schools in temporary quarters for at least the next year while at the same time overseeing the site selection and construction of a complete new school complex would be more strain than his heart needs, he told board members.

Foley's retirement plans were reluctantly accepted by the board. The superintendent noted he would be available to help the schools in any way he could. "After 29 years with this school system, I just couldn't walk away without helping if needed. He stated he had no plans to leave Elba.

In other action Thursday the board voted to mail letters to non-tenured teachers, heard status reports from the three school principals and the food service manager. The board approved a recommendation that for the balance of the year, paid lunches be reduced to \$1.00 a day from the present \$1.10.

The principals were upbeat over the prospect of the next few weeks of school even under adverse conditions. They had high praise for the teachers and the students, saying all have worked to make the best of a bad situation.

Foley told board members that some of the portable classrooms recently purchased are arriving, but only two have been set up with lights. The others will be arriving at a rate of two per week and should be available for use at about that rate, once set up begin.

The school board members will serve as a site committee to select a location for construction of the new schools. They were told they must have between 85 and 100 acres of land to meet minimum standards for accreditation by the Southern Association of Schools.

Foley recommended they find a site that would be large enough for all three schools together stating it was easier to manage and more economical.

Board members will also begin soon seeking a replacement for Foley. No formal vote was taken, but two board members expressed a desire to fill the position from within the system, or at least to give preference to those individuals.

Support group to meet

There will be a series of support group meetings in Elba for the benefit of victims of the recent flood. These meetings are free and are informal gatherings of people with common experiences. They are not tied to any particular religious or professional group.

The meetings will be held at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday evenings in the education building of the Elba United Methodist Church. The first gathering will be on April 18th. The group discussions are informal and there is no exact time for the fellowship period to end.

The basis of the meetings is that the strength of the community and the people of the community comes to the surface with group discussions of mutual problems and experiences.

There will be discussion groups for children, teens, and adults. Trained professionals will be in Elba at this time to work with each of these groups.

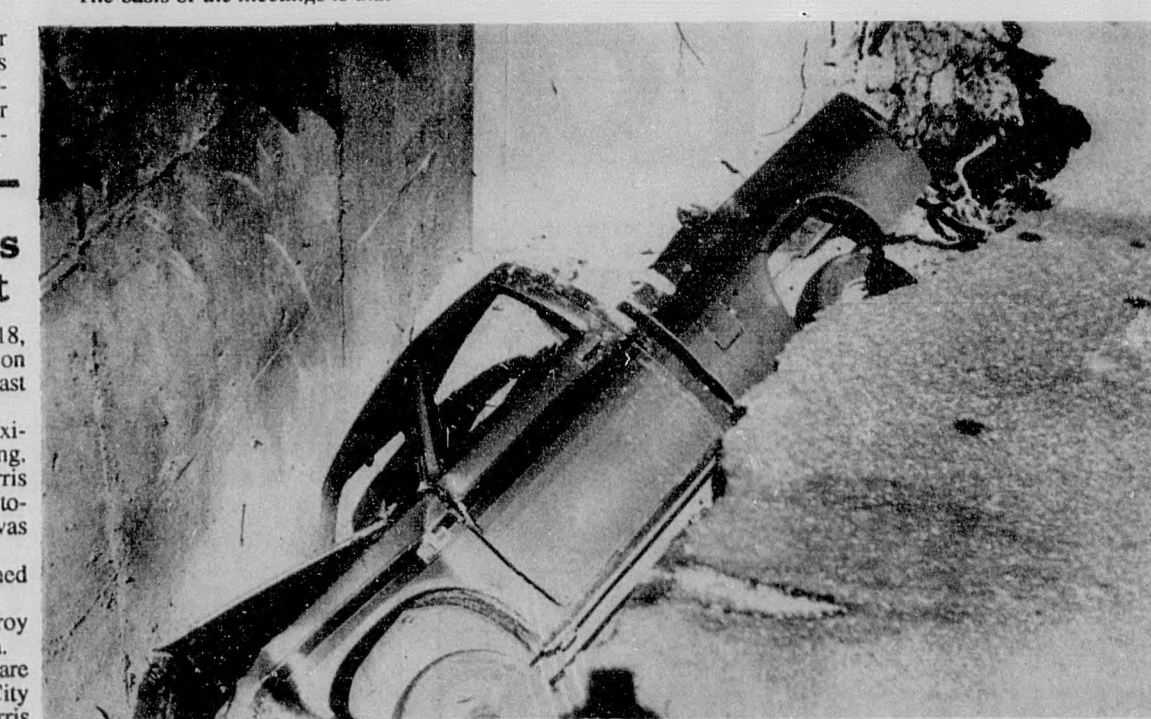
The meetings are open to everyone in the community who directly or indirectly felt the results of the flood of March 17. Coffee and light snacks will be furnished for those who participate.

Egg hunt planned in Elba on Sunday

A free Easter Egg hunt is planned for Sunday at Hawkins Williams Park, according to Ron Taylor who is putting the event together.

Included in the afternoon of fun will be country music, clogging and a hunt for 3,000 Easter Eggs that have been donated for the event.

Taylor said there will be well known entertainers in Elba for the event. Nice prizes will be given away during the afternoon. Taylor said the items would be valuable items around the home for anyone and especially for residents who suffered from the ravages of the flood.



DON'T GO AROUND BARRICADES!...This could happen to you! The driver of this pickup truck went around a "Road Closed" sign on Coffee County Road 11 and found himself in a hole. The signs are there for a reason - don't disobey them - it could be hazardous to your health!

Elba youth dies in auto accident

Shannon Jerome Morris, age 18, was killed in a one car accident on Pike County Road 6, two mile east of Spring Hill.

The accident occurred at approximately 2:02 a.m. Sunday morning. According to State Troopers, Morris was the only occupant of the automobile which left the road and was engulfed in flames.

An autopsy was being performed to determine cause of death.

Morris was a freshman at Troy State University in Troy, Alabama. Parents of Shannon Morris are Lillis Qualls Herrell of Panama City Beach, Florida and Joe Mack Morris of Elba.

Funeral services for Morris were held Tuesday afternoon at 2:00 p.m.

Happy Easter
 To All!